THE FREEMAN, In my estimation, is the Afro-American dictionary, for in it is found the best ideas and the most useful information for the Negro race.--J. B. Lafargue, Alexandria, La.

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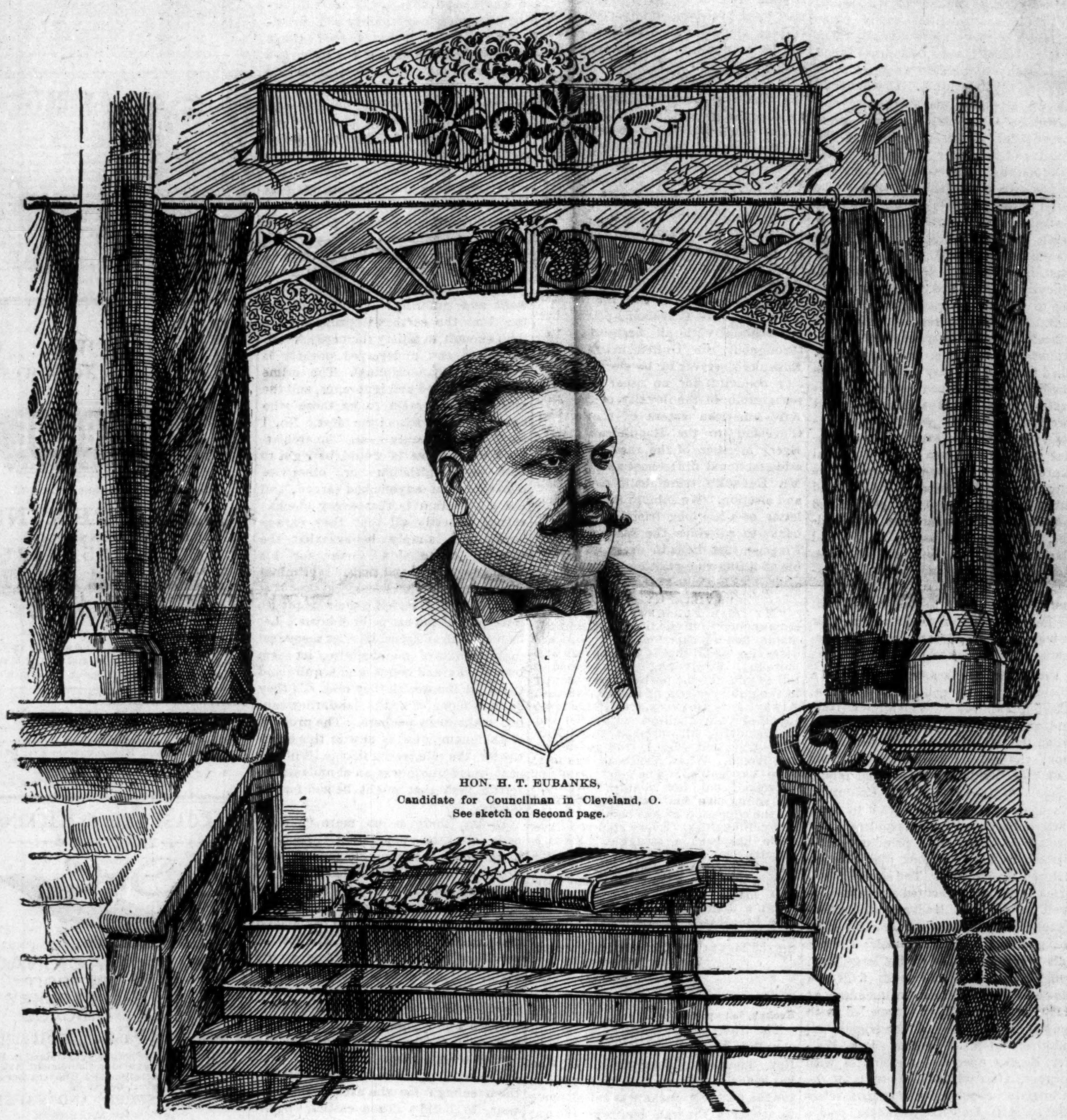

HON. H. T. EUBANKS,
Candidate for Councilman in Cleveland, O.
See sketch on Second page.

BEAUTY CULTURE AND WIT

REIGN SUPREME IN THE ELEGANT PARLORS OF REV. MRS. COLE.

The Anniversary Club Entertains—The Dumas School an Ideal One—Rash Act of a Young Woman—Paid the Penalty with Their Lives.

St. Louis, Mo., Special.

The Anniversary Club met at the residence of Richard Christian last Thursday and celebrated the birthdays of Messrs. Christian, Harris, McLeod and Clannorgan. The parlors of the club rooms were beautifully decorated for the occasion, and a sumptuous repast was served by Mesdames B. J. Carruthers, W. E. Osborn, F. H. Burls, Graves and Archer.

Mrs. James Cole, 2612 Stoddard street, has been confined to her bed for the past two weeks, but is now convalescent. She is a faithful reader of The Freeman.

Mrs. Susie Nichols of Kansas City has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Estella Grant of Mills street. She had a pleasant stay of two months, and regretted very much being compelled to return home.

Lillian Israel, who tried to commit suicide in the city jail two weeks ago, is in a serious condition at the City Hospital. Dr. Sutter thinks she will not recover. She was serving a six month's sentence for highway robbery, and was a trusty employe in the kitchen. She obtained a revolver from one of the guards and shot herself in the left breast. Pneumonia has set in, and she has been unconscious for several days.

Sam Foster, the murderer of Bertram A. Atwater, paid the penalty of his crime on the gallows with his accomplice, "Cotton Schmidt" on last Tuesday. His last words were, "I've made peace with God, and am going to Heaven."

The work at the Dumas school is as usual, very encouraging. Rooms 1, 2, 3 and 4 were given an examination by the Supervisor of Music, last Tuesday morning. The percentages of each room were a credit to both teachers and pupils. Miss Daisy Walker, who is a teacher in one of the schools of Texas, visited the school Wednesday. She spoke very commendably of the discipline, attendance, work and general appearance of the school, She said: "The Dumas is an ideal school." The attendance during the week was very large and the building was taxed to its utmost capacity. Your correspondent in the near future predicts the addition of another wing to the already large building.

The beautiful parlors of Rev. R. H. Cole were resplendent with beauty and brilliancy last Tuesday evening, the occasion being a "Donkey Party" for the benefit of the church. In the assemblage were to be found doctors, stenographers, teachers, preachers, society leaders and newspaper correspondents. The placing of the donkey's tail by persons blindfolded was very amusing, some placing the same on the head, feet and all parts of the body. Among those present might be mentioned Misses Armstrong, Harrison, Abbot, West, Vars, Thomas, Diggs, Mosely, Bracken, Grant, Messrs. Moore, Clark, Vinegar, Taylor, Drs. W. P. and T. Curtis, Rev. J. L. Cohron, and S. J. Wilkinson. Mrs. Cole is a charming hostess and one always feels at home in her company. The Freeman congratulates the family upon every effort.

SCHOOL LIFE.

Schools are established for the purpose of instructing, cultivating and training the mind, and imparting good manners. From which men and women are sent, who stand before the race, thoroughly grounded in its philosophy knowing the depth from which it came, the height to which it has risen, and the secret forces by which it may be guided on to perfection. But before we can attain such knowledge, we must devote our youth to the study of science, religion and morals. As a good environment is essential to all of our other pleasures, so also it is essential to a happy school life. In the home, the child is caressed by the loving mother; here, it learns the use of the senses, the use of the language and receives its first moral impression. He is then sent to school, where the teacher endeavoring to take the place of the affectionate mother, also amuses and caresses him, teaches him merry songs, and learns him to fashion little shapes and fancies with his tiny fingers. In brief, his mental, moral and physical activities are developed. He soon learns the advantage of associating with children of his own age His little life thus far, is a bright dream of innocence and bliss. He has no thought of the distant future to mar his happiness. With the development of these activities, he grows in age; he comes in contact with the evil influences of the world, but if his foundation is strong, in other words, if his home training has been thorough, the waves of evil cannot over come him. Ambition and competition make school life pleasant, Everyone is self conceited and ambitious. It is not a crime to be so, for the world's greatest conquerer, heroes and martyrs were ambitious and vain. If Columbus had not been so sure of his opinion of the world being round and that by sailing West he could reach the East Indies, America would not have been discovered. Seneca, the Roman sage, once said, "Take from men ambition and vanity, and you will have neither heroes nor patriots; so take ambition and competition from the school room and you will have an uninteresting one.

The child thus far has few things to mar its happiness. Perhaps a mean or partial teacher but this difficulty is soon overcome by the studious pupil, who will get from under the instruction of such a one and will go on enlarging his store of knowledge unmolested. Thus he goes through the various departments of school, surmounting, with the help of God, all trials and troubles. He then graduates with the highest honors, and is now prepared to go into the world, ready to serve his Master and race with self-sacrificing intelligence.

Our young days are, undoubtedly, some of the brightest days life contains. So our school days, although they might hold well remembered sorrows or nevertheless very happy It is not wise to complain too frequently of these petit troubles, and then they are easily dispelled, when we think of the children, previous to the fifteenth century, not less tendered than ours of to-day, who were under the instruction of the cruel Jausenists. It is, however, uunecessary to go so far into the dark past; for not forty years ago, the majority of children of our own race, knew not what schools were. They would, without a murmur, have endured the tortures of these ascetics, if education, and consequently freedom had been offered them. But thanks be to Him who placed the thought of the reformation of the school room, in the minds of Comenius, Rosseau, Pesstalozzi, Mme. De Maintenon and numerous other educa-reformers. We, to-day, reap what they sowed. The children of India, even in this 19th century, go days without proper nourishment. Not long ago I read of an Indian boy who was found with a large knot tied around his waist. When asked why it was there, he replied., that he tied it there to keep the pain of hunger from being felt, that he might study in piece. Again I repeat it, in our school life our joys excel our sorrows. We must look for sorrows and disappointments, in this life, for

"Into each life some rain must fall;
Some days must be dark and dreary."

ADELE M. CRAWFORD.

Hon. B. K. Bruce to Lecture.

Tuscumbia, Ala., Special.

The weather is very good for this season, and the gardeners are turning the soil. Rev. T. A. Burkhalter, pastor of the C. M. E. church, filled his regular appointment Sunday the 21st, at Spring Valley. Mrs. L. B. Meredith is making some improvement on her place, which makes it look much better. Let others follow her example. Miss J B. Towns read an instructive paper on the "Model Girl," Friday night before the Grant Literary Society. R. A. Brown celebrated his 21st birthday on the evening of the 16th. Many friends were present and all entertained a most pleasant time. The literary medley given on the 25th at the Baptist church was a grand success. It was given by the city school. Miss J. F, Meredith and Miss H. H. Scoggins rendered excellent music for the occasion. Rev. Mrs. Sensabough spent three days in Florence, Ala., last week. Presiding elder Thomas has been out of the city for quite awhile. The sisters gave an entertainment Friday night at the A. M. E. church. One of Mr. Malone's sons was accidentally killed by his brother a few days ago. Hon. B. K. Bruce will deliver the annual address this year before the A. and M. College at Normal, Ala. Mrs. Washington left the city on the 20th for Jackson, Miss., where she will spend awhile with her husband. We should be careful how we entertain strangers. "A hint to the wise is sufficient."

Personal Mention.

Murray, Ky., Special.

Jas. Ingram is having some improvements made on his dwelling on Second Main street. Prof. J. W. Richard of Corydon, Ky., is teaching a very successful spring school in Murray. Elders Harris and Jacobs held their usual services at the F. B. and A. M. E. churches Sunday the 11th.

Personal Mention.

Montreal, Can., Special.

The second annual convention of the Epworth League of the Montreal Conference Methodist church was held in the Mountain street Methodist the 23-24. Mrs. George Paris entertained a number of friends a few days ago in honor of Mrs. Crutchfield of Chicago. Madam Rumor says that Charles Smith, a most estimable society man will lead to the hymenal altar a prominent St. Paul lady. Mrs. Julia Blackburn, a victim to a recent accident is, slowly improving from her broken arm, but it is feared it will have to be reset. George Paris has the honor of being the champion snowshoe racer of Canada, and the only colored member of the M. A. A. A. Club. Miss Minnie Washington spent a few days in the city on her way home from London, England, where she has been studying elocution. Walter Blackburn and W. B. Clark left this week with Lord and Lady Aberdeen on a tour through the Southern states. David Mason leaves this week for Vancouver. Mr. and Mrs. Billy Farrell of Flynn & Sheridan's Big Sensation Company, were the center of attraction at the Theatre Royal last week. Samuel Barber is out again after several week's confinement at the Victory Hospital. Miss Anna Johnson will leave this week for her home in Lachine. Ed. Durant has returned from Winnipeg. W. D. Allen spent a few days in Quebec the guest of S. Clark this week. Mrs. Frankie Randolph is on the sick list

Schools Closed.

Shelbyville, Tenn., Special.

P. W. Patterson's school closed Friday night with a very creditable exhibition. Mrs. Laura Ransom presided at the organ. The musical part of the program was gotten up by Mrs. Laura Ransom and did her great credit. Mr. Patterson has been doing faithful work and the large audience which greeted his closing exercises shows the esteem in which he is held. Mrs. J. C. McAdams' pupils in crocheting and doing fancy work are making commendable progress, and will have some work at the Centennial. Rev. B. A. J. Nixon opened his revival last Sunday with flattering prospects. Minnie Allen was buried last Wednesday. The funeral was conducted by Rev. J. W. Richmond. The deceased was highly esteemed in Shelbyville, and will be missed in the church and Sabbath school. Rev. H. E. Harris is preparing for a grand rally soon. He generally succeeds in what he undertakes. Rev. M. Green preached at the Baptist church last Sunday. Miss Beatrice Trail and Miss Lillie Davis will finish the secondary course and take their diplomas in May at the "Teacher's Retreat." Miss Lou Floyd is making her home with Mrs. Nixon The article by Rev. Henderson in last week's issue is worth a careful perusal. He is a micropscopic thinker. Mrs. V. D. Turner has several pupils studying Latin and Algebra at Phillip's academy. Mrs. Ellen Woods has entered the Turner High school.

Death of an Old Citizen.

Chatham, Ont., Special.

John Baynard, one of the oldest members of the Union church died on the 17th aged eighty years. He has kept his bed over three years. The funeral took place at the church on the 21st at 11 a. m., Rt. Rev. J C. Wilmore officiating. He leaves a widow, seven sons, two daughters and a host of friends. Mrs. Eliza Scott, who has been sick with la grippe is much better. The anniversary of the Y. M. C. A given on the 17th reflected much credit on the young ladies for the manner in which the church was decorated. Quite a large crowd was in attendance. Reports on education, industry, Sunday school and the advancement of the the race was heard from a choir of songsters led by Indians and a brass band led by Alfred Wilbred added much in enlivening the occasion. The welcome address delivered by Mrs. Georgia Milborn held the audience spellbound. Music was rendered by Misses Anna and Laura Scott; closing address by Rev. H W. Hackley of Ohio and J. H C. McPherson, B. D., pastor; $29.97 was realized. Eliza Scott, president; Miss Nellie Scott, secretarry.

A TIP ON NEW JOURNALISM

A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF TASTE AS WELL AS BRAINS AND FINANCE

A Necessary Requisite—Must Change With the Times in Order to Suit Various Tastes—Too Much Fogyism in this Field.

EDITOR FREEMAN:

The article in your journal of Jan. 9th, under the caption of "The Power of the Press," together with Augustus M. Hodges, some little while ago in the same journal entitled "As to Negro Magazines" are both certainly food for reflection and deserves great consideration. Personally, I believe and truthfully feel that there is a literary style and a truly ideal conception that could be added to our Negro journals (of which not one yet has been embodied) which can only carry it to the pinacle of success, and place it on an equal footing with the progressive Anglo American journals. But you and all the world will probably say, how can this be done with such lack of support? Ah! but that is just the rub. Take most of the Negro journals throughout the country—yes, I might say all of them; the paper first of all is of an inferior grade—of the rough dried order, the type not up to date but of ye olden tyme, the news items presented in the crudest and most commonplace style. What are we educating our off-springs for? Their language is so much more chaste than ours, they have slept and schooled with Homer, with Shakespeare and with Ruskin; they are far above mediocre, and they crave for a literary style in newspapers which is not to be found in Negro journals, and then do you wonder that they should take the very same 5c that would help your paper along and purchase the Sunday Herald of 72 pages, filled to the brim and overflowing with all the news and the best literary features presented in a tastely style and the most chaste language. Away with your old style journalism and give us of the new. Let one journal get out of the old and beaten path and get into new channels and it will so far outdistance all the rest that it will become instead of a local, a national newspaper, and in this form it will draw out all the others, for in order to keep up they will have to change their mode and in this keen rivalry, we will get newsy and interesting newspapers, instead of the dry rot which is dished out to a patient public in these progressive days of the dawn of the twentieth century. I certainly believe that it is better to have one first class national newspaper than to have 154 locals of an inferior grade.

Can a thirty-two page weekly be published by Afro-Americans with financial success? I answer, not by one or two individuals alone but it certainly can be done, by a syndicate of progressive, honest meaning individuals. A newspaper must keep abreast of the times, i. e., lay aside all fogyisms—all looks of rough dried out paper, and far and above all else the editor and publisher must have taste as well as brains, for brains without a certain amount of taste has never yet made a successful anything. A paper to be a success must blossom out as the flowers in the spring and change as do the seasons to suit the various tastes of its readers. Master strokes in ideas at the right time invariably creates the keenest rivalry and competition, and in the end the editor who still holds to old fogyism ideas has been out-distanced and above the horizon he beholds the emblazoned words "The survival of the fittest." As the French would say: Chose qui plait est a demi vendue—"A thing which pleases is already half sold."

EDWARD E. BROCK.

New York City, N. Y.

Death Claims Her for His Own.

Hamlin, Ky., Special.

The death angel visited the home of William Thornton Jan. 16 and claimed for its victim his dear companion, Mrs. Ellen Thornton. She was about 47 years of age, and leaves a husband and and three children, together with quite a number of relatives and friends to mourn her loss. The church has lost an attentive and faithful worker She lived several years a member of the Missionary Baptist, but early in the summer of '87 she attached herself to the Christian church of which she lived a devoted member:

She has entered life eternal,
We shall see her here no more;
One by one we'll join that number
When our pilgrimage is o'er.

Then let us prepare for the journey,
For we too must cross death's stream,
Where loved ones are waiting to greet us,
Where death is not even a dream.

CARRIE H. HODGES.

Highly Entertained.

Hamilton, O., Special.

The Woman's Sewing Circle were entertained by Mrs. W. H. Coleman last Friday afternoon. The afternoon was enjoyable and usefully spent, and in the evening an excellent luncheon was served. Rev. W. H. Coleman opened the series of sermons on the establishment of Christ's Kingdom last Sunday. The subject of his first sermon was, "The coming of Christ and the establishment of His Kingdom," he held the attention of a large and appreciating congregation in his excellent delivery. The Martha Washington supper and concert last Monday night, was a grand success, the singing of the choir was most excellent. The Gibson-West marriage took place last week. Mr. J. Murphy has returned home after a pleasant visit with relatives and friends of Brighton, Tenn. The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Moore died last Tuesday and was buried the following Thursday. Mrs. M. J. Alexander is on the sick list. Elder Morris, pastor of the Baptist church, left very sudden for parts unknown by the community. Allen day was held last Sunday evening and a very interesting program was rendered.

WHO ARE OUR FRIENDS?

VERY IMPORTANT THAT THE NEGRO SHOULD KNOW.

Distinguished Party Leaders in the United States Senate—Observance Of Douglass Day—Many Other Minor Notes of Interest.

It is very important that the race should know who their friends are who occupy official positions in the government of the United States. Foremost among them in the Senate of the United States we have that eminent Statesman and great party leader, Hon. Wm. E. Chandler of New Hampshire, who in point of ability and character is the peer of any member of that august body. During his term as a cabinet officer, and in all his public relations, he has reflected credit on the party and his state. His qualifications as a broad-gauged legislator have been well demonstrated by the triumphant outcome of his efforts in the Senate in behalf of justice to our people, and many important measures of interest to his state and the nation. He is a member of some of the most important committees of the Senate, and has earned in the discharge of his committee work an intelligent industry which has given him the highest respect and confidence of his associates, and a position of influence in the Senate and the front rank of his party as a leader. His language in his discussion shows his polished intellect to great advantage, his manner earnest, his illustrations well chosen. There is no attempt to display, no showing for effect. He sometimes festoons his thoughts with an apt quotation or gives point to his logic by an appropriate anecdote, being a man of convictions and integrity of purpose. Before forming an opinion, he examines the facts and only accepts conclusions after trying the foundations upon which they are made to rest.

He has given his state splendid service in all the positions to which he has been elected or appointed. No man could have been so often honored and retained for so many years in high positions who did not possess noble qualities of head and heart. Like most prominent men he has not escaped harsh criticism from his Democratic opponents, because of his love of justice and right, but he has lived to place his triumphant vindication in the permanent records of his country which he has served so faithfully and well. He is a thorough American in sentiment, and imbued with the idea of equality of all civilized people before the law. He has especially placed me under obligations by the warm interest he has taken in the welfare of our people. He is prominent in the Senate as one of its leaders, both in council and debate, his vast experiences, his familiarity with the history of the country and the necessities of the people, his quick perception, his cultured mind, where are stored the treasures of a long and active public life, his steadfast adherence to the principles of his political faith renders him invaluable in the greatest legislative body on earth, in the enactment of wise and beneficial laws in the interest of his state and nation. His ambition is of that exalted kind which lifts a man above mere personal considerations. He accepted the position more to enlarge and increase his field of usefulness, than to gratify selfish ends. He is not indifferent to popular applause, but he never seeks it, being satisfied with the reward of having done his duty. His patriotism is instinctive; he loves his country and believes in her Republican institutions, and favors the largest degree of liberty consistent with the good of society and the well being of the citizen.

Many years will come and go before New Hampshire again may be able and equally so fortunate as to honor the Senate of the United States with the presence of another such son—another rarely endowed, exquisitely adorned and wisely matured as William E Chandler, whose dutiful bearing toward and in her behalf has been without complaint or reproach, and above suspicion, one whose recognized relations to her could have been rendered no more pure, true and filial in its sacredly fulfilled obligations and devotion, than if borne toward the affectionate and honored mother of his birth, ever ready to make any sacrifice in the defense of her rights and the preservation of her untarnished fame, ever sagacious, wise, fearless and faithful in all his acts in that behalf, ever unswerved or moved therein by selfish considerations, other than those conspiring to her growth, prosperity, honor and glory, embedding his dauntless stand, unyielding by her fortunes and honor, he has contended with all his regal forces for and by every honorable method attainable, enforced, enlarged and elevated her material, civil, social and political existence and liberty as a great American commonwealth, her constitutional duties, rights, privileges and immunities until to-day New Hampshire shines as brilliant as any of the jewels which decorate our coronet of national glory in this great family union of states. The superficial observer would be apt to say that he is too undemonstrative and reserved, too little of a self-seeker and flatterer, that he is not sufficiently schooled in the arts of the vulgar politician, too independent and frank, ever to obtain or to hold the favor of the public; that he was not enough of the sensational and hail fellow, well met to go before the people, but those who know him would say, here we have the spectacle of a man who from the bottom of his heart despises all wire-pulling and machine politics, all clap-trap, who is self-contained and self-respecting, and earned and holds the confidence and affection of the people of his state. The record of his services from the time he began public life as a member of the legislature in his state in 1862, covering a period of thirty-five years, discloses the fact that there are ties of a lasting character binding him to the people among whom he was born and still lives.

The question is, from what source is his power derived? It is not because he possesses the gift of popular oratory, for while he speaks always with fulness, clearness, logic and wisdom, many others far less esteemed, surpass him in the ability to sway the masses of the people or select audiences with which the splendors and chorus of their eloquence, nor can we ascribe it altogether to his great originality of mind, his sound judgment, his zealous attention to daily tasks and engagments, to his qualifications and accomplishments as a lawyer, to his rectitude and public spirit, nor to his well-known fidelity to friendship, for these are qualities many other statesmen of that august body, of which he is a member possess, who have failed to make any impression whatever upon the public consideration. To what then can we attribute his popularity and usefulness as a public man and great party-leader? It is true he has the polish and scholarly attainments that make him an intellectual light, but the true source of his superiority is to be found in the resources of his matchless character. In this respect he has few equals and no superiors. All through life he has been true to himself, doing what he believed to be right and just, believing that justice was the primary step to the attainment of public happiness. Thoroughly representative and typical of the better elements and aspirations of the people, he is their cherished favorite, for they have long since saw in him the finished product of civilization, the moral and intellectual forces of the society which they compose, for it may be said that as a general rule public men are the logical expressions of the tone and temper, the outgrowth of the local conditions and habits and culture of the people, and indicate their characteristics and qualities, just as surely as the flowers and plants do particular soils and climates. Hons. John Sherman, H. C. Hansbrough, H. Cabot Lodge, and many more too numerous to mention can all be depended upon to do all in their power to secure greater political protection and liberty in the South.

Frederick Douglass, who never had a birthday that he could call his own, selected Feb. 14, St. Valentine's Day, and as the 14 occurred on Sunday, when the public schools are not in session, the celebration of his birthday took place Friday in the colored public schools of the District of Columbia. Each school had a program of some sort, and each school was addressed by prominent men. The principal celebration of the day took place at the colored High school. The sons of Frederick Douglass presented a crayon portrait of the great leader to the school authorities with the request that it be hung in the Douglass school. The pupils were assembled in the large hall, which was decorated with flags and flowers. The exercises commenced at 1:30, and the hall was crowded with pupils of the school and the friends and admirers of Mr. Douglass. Rev. Walter Brooks opened the exercises with prayer, after which the pupils of the Douglass school sang a chorus selection. Miss Isabella Sannders read a brief sketch of Fred Douglass' life, after which Joseph Douglass played a violin solo. Dr F. J. Grimke, the orator of the day, made the presentation speech on behalf of the two surviving sons, Messrs. Lewis H. and Charles R. Douglass. Dr. Grimke prefaced his remarks by stating that the colored people should feel glad of two things which the city of Washington had done during the past year. The first was the christening of one of the new colored school buildings as the Douglass building in memory of Mr. Douglass. The other was the setting aside of his birthday, to be known as Douglass Day, to be celebrated by the colored schools. He then formally presented the portrait, which had been veiled on the rear platform to the school authorities. He explained that it was executed by Gerritt Legmen, a colored artist of Syracuse, N. Y. It was to be hung in the Douglass building, where he hoped that it would inspire the children of that school with feelings of patriotism, and devotion to the great leader of his people, with Frederick Douglass to be placed in the library of the Douglass school. The exercises closed with a chorus by the pupils of the Douglass school, and several solos by local talent.

Great preparations are being made here for the celebration of the thirty-fifth anniversary of the emancipation of slaves in the District of Columbia. Hon. Mark Hanna has engaged 250 seats in front of the White House for himself and friends to view the parade March 6. The entire city will be illuminated at night with electric lights arranged especially for the occasion.

There will be a great scramble for office by the local condidates after March 4 Nearly every colored man here wants to be Recorder of Deeds, Register of the Treasury, Committee of the District or some such fat plum. The West End McKinley Club will entertain their friends at dinner March 4 Quite a number of prominent colored men have been invited to attend.

C. C. STEWART,

Washington, D. C.

CANDIDATE FOR COUNCILMAN

Mr. Eubanks has Surmounted Many Obstacles, and is Fast Climbing the Ladder of Fame.

Mr. H. T. Eubanks, whose portrait adorns our front page, resides at 1216 Euclid avenue, Cleveland, O. He is a candidate for council from the fourth councilmanic district of his city, and the prospects are that he will be nominated and elected Mr. Eubanks was born in Lincoln Co., Ky., April 9, 1858. At an early age he was thrown upon his own resources for a livelihood. Since that time he and a younger brother have been the only support of their mother. Many obstacles confronted him in his early struggles to rise to a position of importance and respect among his fellow-men, and it can be truly said that he has surmounted them all.

In 1877 he was a common laborer on the streets of Louisville, Ky. To-day he occupies a position as manager of one of the finest dining rooms in this country. Mr. Eubanks is also a man of affairs, being proprtetor of two tonsorial establishments, one of which has in connection a ladies' hair-dressing parlor conducted by his wife. Mr. Eubanks is well liked and highly respected by all classes of people, regardless of color or previous conditions, etc. He takes an interest in all public improvements which tend toward the welfare of the people of Cleveland, placing her on a plane with all first-class cities throughout the United States. Mr. Eubanks deserves to be elected to the city council if for no other reason, in recognition of the loyalty of the 2500 Afro-American voters of the city of Cleveland to the Republican party. Every member of the race should lay aside factional differences and work for Mr. Eubank's triumphant nomination and election. We submit the following letter of a life long friend of Mr. Eubanks to convince the readers of The Freeman that he is in every way capable of filling the position to which he aspires with credit to the race:

"LOUISVILLE, KY., Feb. 8, 1897.

"MY DEAR EUBANKS:—Both papers announcing your candidacy for councilmanic honors came 'O. K.' You are deserving of all that is said of you and more too. Few young men have had to toil as you for the position you occupy in the public esteem at home or abroad. Always true to every trust, honorable in all of your dealings with friend or foe, removing all obstacles that fall in your way, and ever a true gentleman and friend. What Kentucky has lost, Ohio has gained. The good people of Cleveland could not honor a more worthy young man who has struggled hard for the education he has obtained under many difficulties. Every step you have made has been a struggle. From a country boy to the city, from a street hand in the sewer building to a waiter, from a waiter to a headwaiter and business man. Kentucky never had so rough a diamond to be polished so fine save Lincoln—a Chesterfield in every particular. I shall watch with interest the actions of the voters of Cleveland.

"Very truly yours,

"J. J. MCKINLEY."

Woman's Auxilliary.

Keokuk, Ia., Special.

The revival at Betheel A. M. E. church is meeting with splendid success. Rev. Thomas of Monmouth, Ill., who has been laboring so faithfully with us for the past few weeks was called home to attend a funeral, but will return. Two of Keokuk's fair daughters were honored with invitations to the Bradley-Martin ball. We learn that there will soon be a wedding among Keokuk's "400." William Johnson, son of the late Rev. Amos Johnson, is quite ill. Mrs. Johnson, his mother, also continues quite feeble. Rev. S. S. Orange and wife of La Grange are in the city and will take charge of the Seventh Street Baptist church. Martin Bland has the la grippe. Mrs. W. C. Buckney is quite sick. Robert Ridley's Minstrel, "South Africa Before the War," made its first appearance in Keokuk the 12th, with an overflowing house. The Freeman can be secured from the agent W. H. Martin. Rev Phillips has returned to his home in Moberly, Mo. The Woman's Auxilliary met with Mrs. Martin Bland Wednesday evening. Miss Sadie Bentham returned home Saturday to spend Sunday. She returned Monday to her school at Kahoka, Mo.

Excursion Rates To Washington, D. C.

On account of the Presidential inauguration at Washington City, March 4th., agents of the Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton railway, will sell tickets to Washington City and return, at one fare for the round trip. Tickets will be sold, good going March 1st, 2nd and 3rd. good to return March 8th, inclusive, through sleeper will be run from Chicago & Indianapolis via Monon and C. H. & D. Ry. to Washington via Cincinnati.

"Land and a Living."

Write to W. C. Rinearson, General Pass'r Agent Queen & Crescent Route, Cincinnati, for a copy of the new book "Land and a Living." Cheap farms in the South. No sunstrokes. No blizzards. Low railroad rates twice each month. Printed matter free.

HOW OUR SOCIAL ILLS BEGIN

SOME DEEP THINKING, MYSTERIOUS NEGRO WRITERS.

Appalling Ignorance Among the Educated—Duties of a Christian—Starvation and Poverty Criminal—A New Problem.

EDITOR FREEMAN:

In your issue of the 30th ult., under the head of "The Question of Taxation," appeared an article from the pen of "U. R. Right," which calls for more than a passing notice. It certainly shows that the writer, whoever, he may be, is a student; that he is thinking, and that he is reading good books. He is evidently not an admirer of that class of literature dished up by such authors as Bertha M. Clay. It is pleasing to note that some unknown members of the race are thinking in a way that will bring practical results in favor of the colored man. In connection with this I will say that not long since, I read some paragraphs by your "Swamp Angel" on christianity, such as I have not before seen in any paper published by a member of our race. It showed a deep insight into true christianity. This mysterious writer knew what the vast majority of all people do not seem to know, and that is, the great difference between churchanity and christianity. Which is it that we see? Can a christian be indifferent to the sufferings of others? Do you know any poor old sister who has given her days in service to the church, who is hungry and shivers all day from the need of just a little coal? Do you know any such who are tottering almost on the brink of the grave, yet struggling from week to week to pay the rent and get a scanty morsel for subsistence? If we do not know of such it is because we have not gone into the by-ways and hedges of our cities. Now, just to be honest, can a christian throw away money on trifles, in the midst of such want and suffering? In view of the fact that the earth will produce more than enough to satisfy the needs of all, starvation and undeserved poverty is little less than criminal. The crime consists of greed and ignorance, and the most ignorant seem to be those who have gone to school the most. No, I am not exactly an anarchist. I do not believe it would be right to take by legislation or otherwise one cent that anyone had earned, and the supposition is that every one has earned honestly all that they earned at all. I simply believe that the Creator made this earth for his creatures, man, and that it is criminal to say that any can become so poor that they thereby forfeit their right to some part of the earth for a home. Let men scheme and speculate, let them deal in all forms of merchandise, let them buy stocks and bonds and acquire and enjoy all the wealth they may. If they do not monopolize the land, they cannot make men paupers. The problem of the unemployed is new in this country for the sole reason that until of recent years there was an abundance of fertile land that might be had for the taking.

To-day there is no more "West," and as the population becomes more dense, the struggle for existence grows fircer. In the absence of flood and famine, no new country is bothered with starvation and want. It is only after the landlord gets hold of the land and makes the toiler pay him for the privelege of using the surface of the earth, that our social ills begins. When Oklahoma was opened to settlement the people seized every acre as though each covered a gold mine. The Dukes, Earls and other nobles of England own 30,000,000 acres of land in America. In a few years they can make the people pay them enough for the use of this, each year, to build a dozen castles. But it does not really matter whether the land speculator lives in England or America. It is all the same in effect. This landlordism is the real cause of poverty. It is what keeps the colored man at the bottom in the South. The Single Tax on land values, exclusive of improvements, will cure all undeserved poverty. It is for this reason that I say our present condition is due to ignorance and greed.

G. W. CABLE,

Indianapolis, Ind.

The Freeman in Demand.

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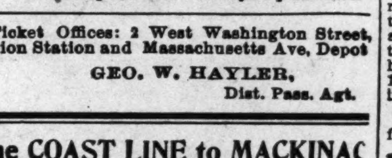

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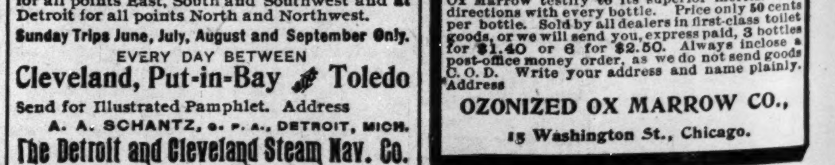

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MASTER OF THE SITUATION.

DR MAJORS GETS BACK AGAIN AT THE BAD COLLEGE PRESIDENT.

Editor Johnson, of the Christian Recorder, Handled Easily Without Gloves—The Freeman Sustained—An Apology.

Shame would have tears, and sorrow bids me speak. The saddle colored editor of the Christian Recorder takes the writer to task for telling plain indisputable facts in a case that for many months has scarcely been spoken of above a whisper. H. T. Johnson knows very well who Dr. Majors is, and ere long will be given an opportunity to know considerably more.

We did say shame on the bishops of the A. M. E. church, but we beg pardon, and ask in the same breath, why the bishops did not at the time of the queer and much whispered disgrace, revoke the college president's license to preach? They could have done that with impunity. The bishops, I should think, all deserve eulogy of the highest kind, and in the most sincere sense. Yet I think they went beyond the mark of descretion and religious judgment in appointing this college president to another church, where after several months he had to be slipped out of town by brethren of the amen corner, to be once more rewarded with another church whose congregation welcomed him and received him with open arms as a promoter of christianity, when in truth his constancy of immoral vice would disgust the decency of a sheep. And now to replace this specimen of religious defamation back in the same high seat of learning was a specimen of gall never known in the march of christianity until the A. M. E church established the precedent. By what method of reasoning do they reach such unwholesome conclusions in their effort to raise the standard of Negro purity? But this question will never be answered. The editor of the Christian Recorder is now awake, but he awoke to find himself committing the same gross errors of which Dr. J. M. Henderson accused him some months ago. He is not only lazy, but he lacks discretion. The article he refers to was not written for the purpose of striking at the A. M. E. church, the incident was mentioned merely as a point of illustration in treating the subject then under consideration. He should never have said anything about it.

The bishops know they have the authority to demand this preacher's papers, and if they have not done so, it is because they are charitable and merciful, but they set a very bad example and established a peculiar precedent as a religious committee. Dr. Johnson gets mad and calls us names, this demonstrates the diminutive condition of his heart, portrays the lineaments of christianity in his backbone and the wonderfully decomposed taint of his spleen. His vociferous effusion of billingsgate vaporing is funny and reminds us of a colored club that once played Hamlet, and the ghost forgot his lines. And yet we love him. The scripture teaches us to love and forgive, and we do both willingly. The trouble with the doctor is simply this:

> "He missed his calling.
> The midwife laying hand on his thick skull,
> With prophetic blessings said be thou dull.
> Drink, swear, roar, forbear, no lewd delight
> Fit for thy bulk; do anything but write."

There is yet time for him to change his ways, and we refer him to Dr J. M. Henderson, who seems to be posted on his freakful humor.

The Indianapolis Freeman is a mint of Negro progress that every race loving man is compelled to admit. It stands high, broad and firm on all issues pertaining to the race. It points out the quicksands and shoals, as well as the firm Gibralta rock of honesty, honor and integrity. It is not denominational, it is the tool of no incubator of vagaries, nor caters to the whims of treacherous marauders It is outspoken for right, truth and justice; it advocates purity of the home, heart and hand. It belongs to no clique, ring or gang; it is published for those who run, might read. Its banner of patriotism floats high in pure air, and matchless as it beats against the foul tongue of slander, in its mercy and high purpose. It is too good and too noble to box the ears of its juvenile contemporaries. It spats only with its equals and leaves its righteous gotten philosophy to inexperienced editors as a legacy and heritage, from which they might copy, and of which they should be proud.

No one would attempt to assail the A. M. E church. It is one of the organizations of Negro promotion that has life in it, and demonstrates progress. What we endeavored to show we have succeeded in showing, and if the board of bishops or the one who is directly responsible for this libertine's promotion, wish or wishes to ask the Negro race pardon, they can do it by removing the cause, demand his ministerial papers and place him where he rightly belongs, among the penitents, and where he himself knows he deserves to be. This is all done and said for the good of the race. We teach morals, we practice morals and we must promote morals if we would be a race.

The good Dr. Johnson did not deny the charges, neither did he desire to. He is very particular now about preserving the honor and integrity of something and somebody. The doctor—editor—failure has totally failed to defend and to protect those he loves, and makes a poorer statement of the affair at issue than we should have suspected of one so highly learned by the great and dignified religious body of which he seems to be the Krupp-gun explosive part. Adieu, Mr. Johnson, you shall know who Dr. Majors is later.

M. A. MAJORS, M. D.,

Decatur, Ill.

AN OPINION OF S OWN.

Graham's Correction on Major's Moral Philosophy as Viewed by Another—Ignorant Pulpit.

EDITOR FREEMAN:

The issue of Jan 30th bears what Rev. D. A Graham gives as a correction of Dr. M. A. Major on the later's idea of the Negro's progress. The principle trouble seems to be a reflection on the part of the reverend, who doubtless, is no wise accused, on the reference to the ignorant preacher. Now, I am thoroughly unacquainted with either of the gentlemen, personally, and shall not attempt to defend either one's views, but the reverend, no doubt, when he sees the course I took and gave to the readers of this paper, will title me as critic. But what I will say regarding the subject, however, is an opinion of my own and one that as the doctor believes, needs much consideration, and more than that the conference should allow some steps to be taken towards the reformation of this error or they themselves should remedy the defect.

I affirm, however, that the ignorant preacher is doing as much damage as good and the experiments I see in the matter is that the injury is far greater than the good, but whether this district alone has this weakness or not I cannot say. Circumstances influence, a thing as well as situations and vice versa, and my lack of due appreciation to the church, taking myself this one time as an example, as this accusation has been imposed upon me, is due much to this fault, at least I attribute it to that cause when I come to wonder why I am not enthused like the rest of my class when the church is mentioned. Agreeing with Rev. Graham on the right, I must say this is not true with all preachers, but the greater per cent of the ignorant ones is doing much damage where they reign.

We understand that this is a growing age, and unless something new is occasionally presented the people are left in idleness and will resort to places of amusement or lay at home and sleep rather than walk out to hear the big expounder, as he thinks himself, display his bag of noise. He complains then that the sisters don't pray enough. He wants his audience swelled and he can't see why they don't come out. As the people are a little more easily taught than they used to be, they soon find that nothing is gained by their visits to church and if they are the least lazy, they won't loose any time in listening to the parson this time. Let him discover now that he is not well loved and he will out quarrel the devil. His voice is good, the best gift he has, you know, with the exception of his ability to "raise sand" and looses no time then in exercising his influence over the few friends he does have. He suspicons too or probably hears that some kind of new thought has been produced by a better preacher somewhere and is bearing upon the minds of a few, but whether it be logical or not he doesn't know, and seldom, if ever, attempts to say anything about it. But his next appointment finds him in the pulpit, crammed full to the brim of profound scripture for the benefit of the christian audience. But for his seriousness and steadiness, if I must credit him with such, sitting up there, he would overflow before the time and ruin the day's preparation.

His subject is the educated preacher, the celluloid cuffs, collars, etc. You must get out of the way now for he is coming and will run over whatever gets in his way. He tells you that, because the elder has a college training, he is talking from history instead of the bible; he is upon oratory, has an interest in political pursuits and does not take views from the bible as he ought to do. He will explain that the bible is the book of God and means just what it says without any changes, which of course is alright for him to say. But says he, "When your brother hits you on one jaw, you must turn the other to him." He goes down from this to the good old place where you are told to treat your neighbor as yourself and after awhile you hear him inquire: "What profit is it to gain the whole world and loose your own soul?" Meanwhile you are being effected by the notice that his finger is warbling in his ear and occasionally he banishes behind the front of the pulpit as he goes up and down and from side to side, which act presents you with an ideal good buck. The thing most admired about him now is the skill he uses in rocking himself as he goes through the exercise and it goes only to prove that the that the drama has given its character a perfect drill, more so in calisthenics than anything else. He stirs up the mothers with this and gets a shout and some "amens," and having got happy himself it appears, on he goes in this way to the end of his sermon. He has had a good time now and as this is the habit of doing, the older folks are always ready for it, but still the young people have been slighted. He winds up the day's work and finds out which of the sisters is going to take the preacher to-day. Then off he scuds for his dinner which he freely employs himself in consuming, and that to be sure to the displeasure of every member of the family or household. After this he for leaves home or some other place and will hardly be back again until the next appointment. He has been off now and they ought to be glad to see him. So his time rolls up and he is on hand with a new text. He takes his stand just as he usually does and reads his text, and to the disappointment of the young or reading people, he follows it with the discourse used before. This he does the next time to, and throughout his whole administration he goes like a cow-bell, worrying us with the same old tune. He is jealous of his smarter brothers and it all arises from his laziness, so he must use his time in crying down the learned preacher and we are glad when the next conference convenes and everybody wonders who will be the next preacher.

J. R. Coffey,
Principal Public School,
Misterton, Miss.

The Drift of the Negro.

EDITOR FREEMAN:

The dark clouds of ignorance and superstition is vanishing, and a merciful Providence has lifted the veil of obscurity from the eyes of the Afro-American, and now he can comprehend the enigmas of life, and is working on the race problem. They are coming to the front in every pursuit of life and rising upon the waves of the intellectual sea, drifting on to the yet obscured future, but the rays of intellectuality is penetrating the mysteries of the mystic.

The Negro men and women of today are practically at the high water mark of intelligence. Some have said, What is the Negro? Who is he? And what has he ever been? I will say he is just what God made him, a genus homo, a rational human being, whose cranium has the noble sweep which only the species sapien have not in the least; more refractory to advancement than the Caucasian. And he has been a most beautiful centre of great thoughts and wonderful capacities. He was the first founder of civilization. But a retrogradation came and a muteness ensued and he was unable to utter a sound in the great realms of wisdom. To-day he is awakening to the fact as he evolutes that there is no God given mental superiority to no one race more than another, and that no one race was created to dominate and domineer over another, and he ceases to look with abhorance on his native country which the Caucasian from an atrocious policy tried to wrap in the legend of an incensed father's curse. From observation he knows there are such things as climatic influences and vegitation, equal opportunities and equal compass he can stand upon the platform of intellective intelligence with his brother in white.

He looks at genius, fair fame, courage, truth and bravery from the same noble standpoint as the refined Caucasian. I will say as a race drifting as we are, we should not let the rolling waves drive us apart; the time is here for us to put to work our abilities and come together in unity, and not stand as an enemy to each other. We must comprehend race pride, as the brother in white, so while drifting to the great ocean of immortality we may gather wealth, respect, honor, intelligence and followers. Race pride is prolific; it begets race love, and that noble sentiment is the parent of union which is the foundation corner-stone structure and super structure of a race. Dear readers, while you are drifting, raise your standard to higher aspirations, get in the intellectual current and move on to progression.

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AS OTHERS SEE US.

The Indianapolis Freeman is a mint of Negro progress that every race loving man is compelled to admit. It stands high, broad and firm on all issues pertaining to the race. It points out the quicksands and shoals, as well as the firm Gibralta rock of honesty, honor and integrity. It is not denominational, it is the tool of no incubator of vagaries, nor caters to the whims of treacherous marauders It is outspoken for right, truth and justice; it advocates purity of the home, heart and hand. It belongs to no clique, ring or gang; it is published for those who run, might read. Its banner of patriotism floats high in pure air, and matchless as it beats against the foul tongue of slander, in its mercy and high purpose. It is too good and too noble to box the ears of its juvenile contemporaries. It spats only with its equals and leaves its righteous gotten philosophy to inexperienced editors as a legacy and heritage, from which they might copy, and of which they should be proud.—Dr. M. A Majors, in The Freeman.

The Freeman has never been accused of having a mean opinion of itself, nor of its aspirations. It has striven to attain high grounds on all of the numerous questions that are current, and especially those that are pregnant with weal or woe for the race. Notwithstanding its aspirations to high lattitudes, it does not arrogate to itself alone this distinction. Every Negro journal published certainly stands out for the same lofty ideals. If they fail to impress their auditors with the full import of their messages, it is not due to direlection of duty, but to manifold causes too numerous to enumerate. It is not left to The Freeman to proclaim its worthiness, but to the Majors and others who recognize its tendencies. To attain any considerable distinction in the sphere of Negro journalism must be considered a vast ascension, when so many tests are near by for contrast. The race, like the famed Chambered Nautilus, is ever rapidly evolving out of the low vaulted past into the higher domain of life, and ere long the heaven's blue alone will serve to cribb and confine him. Negro journalism must keep pace, yea, must be in the van of these changes, that are only consistant in their changes. The North, South, East and West have their different modes of dealing with the race. A journal is fortunate indeed that can gain a standing at these numerous courts. It can be seen at a glance what course must be pursued in order to maintain universal respect. The South is yet and will be for years, the fount It is axiomatic that the stream does not rise above its source. It is apparent then, that in the great struggle for enlarge liberties and individual freedom that the South is the largest factor to be reckoned with. Journalists who try to set up a realm, with contempt for the major part of their subjects are too narrow to be of much consequence. Coddling, catering to codfish aristocracy, and giving the plain people the go by, are not the elements necessary to a great journal nor a great people. The masses, the mighty masses may be slow in arriving at a conclusion, but they do eventually conclude, and then like a volcanic crater, they will be just as slow in cooling. These are to be considered. They desire a friend at court. The man who is the friend of the people is omnipotent, speaking figuratively. Newspapers, Negro journals that do not ignore the millions that are but a few degrees removed from that condition, the darkest period of the nation's history left them in, who have not yet had opportunity to flare comet like across the states into the fuller realism of freedom, are likely to have a warm place in thousands of hearts, although it be not sang from the house tops. The Freeman feels flattered in the extreme by Mr. Majors. Sincere or otherwise, he has voiced its hopes and aspirations. It stands before the country the realized ideal of its dreams if we are to consider the many comments of Mr. Majors and others from time to time on The Freeman. Now is the time to subscribe.

On to Washington, is the cry.

What the Negro needs is money or its equivalent.

From all indication, Mark Hanna will be a Senator from Ohio.

Read The Freeman, the most representative Negro newspaper in the world.

An heir has arrived at the home of Ex-President Harrison; it is an eight pound baby girl. We suppose congratulations are in order.

The Freeman stands for the material prosperity of the people. Produce what the white man wants and you win at once his interest.

The Gazette of Cleveland, thinks that Bro. Arnett is joking. The Colored American does not think so. Now what is all this about? Give us light.

Washington's birthday as a national holiday is gaining favor very rapidly. Parades and addresses suitable for the occasion are now part of the program carried out in the observance of the day.

Until there is an attempt on the part of moneyed men of the race to employ the idle youths of the land, they should have very little to do in legislating what they may happen to have, away.

Material prosperity is the watchword. The machine shop, the foundry and the mills are the things to tell. These must be opened; they are the open sesame to the Negro's hopes, nothing else.

The Rev. W. R. Lawton is delivering a series of sermons that should excite general interest. His sermon to colored graduates last Sunday evening was instructive, exhortive and entertaining. "Success" was his subject.

It is very evident that the Cuban's effort for liberty is suffering. The overflow of enthusiasm of a few months ag in this country was a paper transaction merely.

"They will lie for them
They will sigh for them,
But d—— if they will die for them."

There may be differences of opinion regarding the question of mixed or unmixed school from a race progress standpoint, but not whatever from the score of inefficiency or immorality of race teachers. These can easily be remedied if existing.

The office of Recordership of Deeds, Washington, D. C., seems to be the choicest plum that the colored contingent have much hopes of securing. It is said every city of any considerable sizes has a candidate or so for that all important post.

Ex-Gov. P. B. S. Pinchback, of Louisiana, is being pushed for one of the Assistant Secretaryships of the Treasury Department, by the colored people of his state. The Republican speaking of him, says:

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The above cannot be considered extravagant praise of Mr. Pinchback, who has long been prominent in public affairs.

I WANT TO SEE.

BY W. R. B. ALEXANDER, LINCOLN, NEB.

I want to see
The Negro's true realization,
That he is part of this great nation.

I want to see
The Negro race to choose a leader,
The nation's friend, the Negro's pleader.

I want to see
A leader, black, not white a mite,
Whose wisdom is not from the white.

I want to see
Some less of law, but more of justice,
And this one theme should interest us.

I want to see
The black man's word to be his bond,
Integrity, veracity to correspond.

I want to see
Deserving men while drawing breath,
Be honor'd now, and after death.

I want to see
Both Blanche K. Bruce and John R. Lynch,
Throw up their hands and drop the cinch.

I want to see
George Knox Recorder of the Deeds,
And sowing our advancement seeds.

I want to see
Our smart men who cut up their capers,
To cease their fighting through our papers.

I want to see
"B. Square," the merciless pen smiter,
Himself to call a "greatest writer."

I want to see
Friend "Open Letter" Henderson
To make for us a bit more fun.

I want to see
The editors each other praise
By letters hid'n from public gaze.

I want to see
Preachers preach to save men's souls,
Religion more, less bank-bill rolls.

I want to see
Less lust in men, and women, too,
Ah! virtuous live's the thing to do.

I want to see
Black mothers comb their children's hair.
Send them to school, their faces fair.

I want to see
T. Thomas Fortune, acrobat,
Inform the people where he's at.

I want to see
Doc M. A. Majors write no verse,
His prose is bad, his verse is worse.

I want to see
The Negro race to propagate,
Tho' others do degenerate.

I want to see
I real black man, president
Of these United States, I "ment."

SWEET REASONABLENESS.

The spirit of sweet reasonableness can be applied to the controversy that has been on regarding the schools, quite as well as it can be applied to other subjects. We feel that it is reasonable to assert that very little good has grown out of a controversy that has shown so picturesquely the attitude of one half of the race towards the other half. It is reasonable to assert that a truer conception of the race has been gained than it was ever possible to have gained before, all of which is to be pitied. It is reasonable to suspect that the respect for the race has not been increased by the little tendencies so amply displayed in the few past weeks. No one supposes that a race can emerge out of moral darkness or intellectual stagnation if one of its largest and most influential classes is guilty of all the crimes of commission and omission that has been heaped upon it from the street gammon to the titled citizen, in the recent past. The teaching classes of any community should not in themselves, be the object of attack. No one will doubt for a moment but that the question before the people has in it much food for reflection. No one desires to see the race hampered by laws that in import have a tendency to minify its importance. But because the state imposes them does not materially change the condition of the people, who on account of the prejudices of persons in private capacities make life to Negroes in America truly precarious—furnishing one of the most complex problems the world has ever dealt with. It is not the same question that confront other nationalities in this country. The statement has been made that the Negro must have something the white man wants, if he expect to appreciate in importance. This truth is becoming more apparent daily. There are dozens of good men in the city who have won their way up to competency in the financial world and in the world of letters, but they are yet the microscopic minority. These feel, doubtless, what it is to belong to a race that suffers owing to race lines; yet the vast majority have yet to see the light. The girls, the hope of the race, have absolutely nothing to do, while the girls of the other race have a thousand chances for exit into the world of affairs. This is the question and not the other. How shall we employ our youth? It is a question, which, if neglected much longer, will be criminal in aspect. The man who does most to employ his people, sweet reasonableness suggests that he is solving the problem. The cry of bread must not be stopped by a supply of stoner. Sweet reasonableness and philanthropy suggests that the leading citizens look to the employment of these young people.

Hon. John P. Green, of Ohio, is a candidate for Recorder of Deeds, Washington, D. C. Mr. Green is one of the most prominent politicians in Ohio. His chances for success, when everything is considered, is certainly very flattering. Mr. Green is a very worthy man. The next administration can not afford to see him neglected.

This year and this campaign through which we have just passed, witnessed and witnesses the Negro in a condition much different to what he has been accustomed, politically. Whether there is occasion for alarm will soon be made manifest. There is an ominous silence on the part of the press regarding the breaking up of the ways that is truely painful.

Mr. McKinley is to be congratulated on the success he has made in his cabinet making. The new cabinet has not been surpassed by any of the past. Hons. John Sherman, Lyman Gage and Gen. Alger certainly accentuate the high personality of the membership. It is unfortunate that the lack of an assured Republican majority in the Senate will not permit Mr. Gage to carry out his methods in currency reform.

Lovers of Greece from various causes, will watch with anxiety the struggle of that country to have Crete re-united to the mother land. It is evident that the Hellenes are tired of the arrogance of Turkey, and taking advantage of her present unpopularity, seeks to recover their own, trusting to the restraining hand of the combined powers. The attack on the insurgents relieves the idea that the powers are winking at the unusual activity of the Greeks.

Mr. O. S. Woods, principal of one the largest schools in St. Louis, Mo., is a candidate for Minister to Hayti. Mr. Woods is known in this city, having been here in the interest of the Knights of Pythias. Mr. Woods certainly made a favorable impression. He is a man of excellent parts, a brilliant orator and has the reputation of having high executive ability. His state is leaving nothing undone to see that his hopes are realized.

The Michigan department of the Afro-American Bureau of the Republican National Committee, has issued a neat little pamphlet setting forth its work in the state of Michigan during the last campaign. John J. Evans, Z. Beverly, Elwood Bishop, John A. Bell, W. Q Atwood, James H. Cole and Robert Pelham, Jr., were the members of the committee. Mr. Pelham, the chairman, was the recipient of a gold badge presented by Hon. M. A. Hanna for meritorious service.

Church Celebration.

Memphis, Tenn., Special.

Prof. G. A Pindar, of Florida, who has been here several months teaching the art of drawing and painting, left on the 20th for Grand Junction and Nashville, where he will work during the Centennial. Chas. E. Williamson was called to Mason, Tenn., to attend his sick mother, who died later and was buried on the 1st inst. Mrs Williamson was one of the land marks of Mason. She died in her 84th year and was loved by all who knew her. Mrs. Mattie Cain died on the 11th inst., and was buried in Elmwood cemetery. Mrs. Cain was a devoted christian and a loving mother. She leaves a husband, eight children and many friends to mourn her demise. Mrs. Charles Jones departed this life on the 17th inst., and was buried from Avery Chapel A. M E. church, of which she was a member. She was also a member of the Daughters of Tabor. Dr. J. N. Abby conducted the religious services in a very impressive manner. N. C. Simington has been nursing a sprained ankle for several weeks. Jesse Jones has returned from St. Louis, Mo., where he attended the Federal court. George Hughes, while at work at the M. & C. railroad shops, on the 18th, was caught in the machinery and his arm was broken in two places. Miss Cornelia Hillman and Albert Gwyn were married at Collins Chapel A. M. E. church on the 16th at 8 p m., Elder Smotbers officiating. The bridesmaids and groomsmen were Misses Emma L. Bernard, Josie Edwards, Messrs. Calvin Branch and Albert Dorsey. The church was crowded to its utmost capacity. The Freeman joins with their many friends in wishing them a long and happy life. Dr. C. A Terrell is a man of whom the race should be proud. He is a young man and has not been in the city two years yet, but has pushed h's profession until now he has [illegible] handsomely furnished at 280 Second street, opposite the Cotton Exchange, and has also purchased a nice lot in the residence part of the city. Sunday, the 18th, the morning service at Avery Chapel A. M. E. church was taken up in celebrating the 137th birthday of Bishop Allen. The church was alive with persons desirous of eulogizing the Reverend Bishop's greatness. The most eloquent speakers were Dr. J. N. Abby, Berry Jeffries, A. J. Orr and R. O. White. Mrs. Mattie Dawson, who has been down with rheumatism for several months, is much improved. Mrs. Sallie Lane, one of the oldest members of Avery Chapel, has been quite sick for some time, but is now convalescent.

A Dissenting Opinion.

Editor Freeman:

I read an article in your paper entitled "The Mourning Preachers" by Mr. J. C. McAdams of Shelbyville, Tenn. I am under the impression that much evil is growing out of the fact that some of our educated ministers are great mourners when they desire to reach the common or unlearned people. This ought not to be. Any religion that must be moved by the mourning dove preacher before the spirit can come into the heart of persons claiming to be followers of Christ is worse than no religion. The educated minister who resorts to mourning so that the spirit may move his hearers is certainly a hypocrite of the worse type. If the people of God are led by sound and not by reason then the heathen is the highest type of religion. The inteligent religious man will not indorse the leadership of the mourning preacher. The preachers who mourn is not preaching Christ, but he certainly is preaching himself and this is the thing he ought not to do.

Paul says we preach not ourselves but Christ Jesus the Lord. 2nd Cor. 4-5-8. Christ should be the leading thought in all sermons but the mourning preacher presents himself in mourning tones so as to move the people, by his tones not by Christ. That is to say that the gospel will not move the people without the qualifying tones of the preacher. This is what the old folks call gravy and some of them don't want Christ's gospel when it is not in company with the mournings of the mourning preacher.

Negro ministers should learn not to stoop to the ignorant but strive to lift up the ignorant always. In fact we should practice what we preach, and let all things be done decently and in order 1st Cor. 14-40. Begin services on time and close the same at the proper time. Most any preacher can say all he knows how to say ordinarly in forty-five minutes. M. F. Wormack,

Pastor Second Christain Church,
Indianapolis, Ind.

Prominent Physician.

Chicago, Ill., Special.

It is rumored that Dr. A. W. Curtis, one of the best known physicians in the city, has received the appointment as chief of staff of physicians of General Gomez, the Cuban General. He is receiving many congratulations. W. R. McKamus entertained quite a number of Dearborn street's "400" Sunday with a number of piano recitals. Miss Fannie Hamilton is quite ill. Memorial services were held in all the churches in honor of Frederick Douglass last Sunday. Thomas and Dudley Oglesby were pleasantly surprised by friends last week, among whom were Misses Lulu Scott, Nettie Glenn, Mamie Blanton, Mesdames Jackson, Markle, McKinley, Messrs. Alexander, Gertie, Daniels, Smith and Miss Florence Grady, Rev. Robt. Divine will soon wed a Chicago girl. Miss Daisy Williams has returned to Chicago. Misses Anna Hocker, Lillian Wells and Belle Barber left Monday for Lilly Lake. Walter A. Lawrence died at his residence, 448 Thirty-Seventh street Jan. 26, after a year's illness with consumption. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Lawrence. He died at the age of 19 years, 3 months and 7 days. His funeral took place at St. Elizabeth Church Jan. 31. Mr. Lawrence was a prominent young man and moved in the best of circles.

More Negro Shylocks Needed.

Louisville, Ky., Special.

Rufus Walker is very ill at his home on Linden Square. Mr. Walker, it may be remembered, met with a serious accident a few days ago. His foot was fearfully mashed. Mrs. Mary Chambers is sick at the Louisville Hospital. Her illness is due to a very dangerous and difficult operation which she had performed a week ago. Judge Lair and James Lee are also sick. Rev. Elisha Wilson, who has been conducting revival services at Calvary Baptist church, left last Monday for Cane Springs, where he will hold meetings for a week. Rev. Wilson, it is safe to say, is a model young preacher. In Shakespeare's "Merchant of Venice" the character of Shylock is indeed not very commendable, yet it would be far better if we had more Negro Shylocks and a fewer number of Negro spendthrifts. The Police court is the leading industry of Louisville. Every day is a busy day. Mrs. W. J. Sylkman left the city on Friday last to attend the bedside of her mother, who is dangerously ill at Lexington, Ky. J. D. Watts, the middle weight pugilist, is growing quite popular with the sporting fraternity. He figures in all the sparring exhibitions of the city. On last Monday his six round bout with Forrest, preliminary to the great Lansing-Selfker mill, was one of the marked features of the evening. He showed great skill as a boxer. Dr. H. E. Agnew, the leading colored dentist of this city, is rapidly winning for himself a lasting reputation. He represents that class of young men out of which grow men of might and power. Rev. C. C. Bates, of Lampton Street church, is conducting a very successful revival. Concerts and suppers seem to infest the social life of this great city. Would that business enterprises would spring up instead. Jonas Calbin died very suddenly from paralysis of the brain at his home on Eleventh street. Mr. Calbin was sick only two days.

Personal Mention.

Clarindia, Ia., Special.

Messrs. Turner, Lucas and Scruggs of Bedford, were in our city. There was a baptising at the Second Baptist church Sunday. Revival begins at the Baptist church conducted by Rev. Mendenhall. The ladies are attempting to organize a charitable society. The Mission Circle was held at the Second Baptist church the 21st conducted by Reverend Mendenhall Wm. Brown is still on the sick list. Leo Mendenhall was very sick, but is convalescent. Mrs. A. Cartmill has moved to her new home on 13th and Grant streets. Mrs. T. Jones and daughter were the guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. Cartmill. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Brown are the guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. Cartmill. Mrs. Lizzie Ham and Mrs. Amanda Carlson are still on the sick list. Mrs. Mattie Hubanks and sister-in-law have returned from Omaha. Mrs. Susan Baker has returned from Councill Bluff, where she attended the funeral of her brother. Andrew Baker and Erpham Casen are still on the sick list.

Notable Events—Personals.

Eufaula, Ala., Special.

Quite a crowd witnessee the exercises at the Oddfellows hall on the 17th. An excellent program was rendered. Jones Chapel choir rendered some choice music at the residence of Mrs F. F. Thornton's Wednesday night the 17th. Mrs. C. M. Wells is on toe sick list. Mrs. Hannah Johnson of this city, is anxious to hear from her son, John H. Grant who was in St. Louis, Mo., at the last account Miss Ida Wade is visiting relatives at Alabany, Ga. Miss Ida Dodson is working for the Recorder. Rev. W. C. Banton preached an able sermon last Sabbath morning. Sunday the 14th was Allens day at St. St. Lukes A. M. E. church and an interesting program was rendered. Papers were read by Mrs. D. S. Johnson, Geo. W. Sherman, Jas. W. Fisher, Misses Pearl Sherman, Ellen Turner, Eva Thornton and Rev. Banton. The Freeman is on sale every Saturday at John Ward's restaurant. Quite a crowd attended the rally at New Hope A. M. E. church last Sabbath. Secure The Freeman from the agent. McCabe and Young's Black Trilby company played to a large audience Monday night the 22d at the Morris Opera house.

Personal Notes and Paragraphs.

Logansport, Ind., Special.

Miss Anna Banks, of Richmond, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Frank Carter, of 26 Helen street. Mr. Coleman, the advance agent of the Original American Tennessee Singers, was in the city Monday making dates for the company. Rev. Lewis Pettiford, preached a very able sermon Sunday morning at 10:30. Miss Mary Allen, of Ft. Wayne, is in the city. Mrs. George Allen is on the sick list. Sam Ratliff, of Kokomo, is in the city. Joe Malone has a sick baby. Louis Allen had a fine overcoat stolen last week by a strange young man who was stopping with him.

Death of a Prominent Citizen.

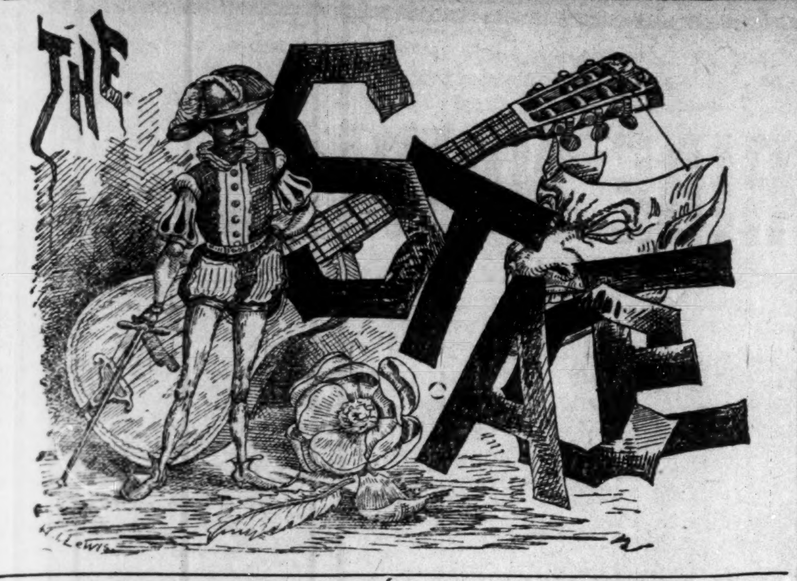
Clarksville, Tenn., Special.

Archer Lyons died at his home Feb. 18th. He was a well known citizen of this city, belonging to several orders. Friends extend their sympathies to his family. Bud Elliot died at his father's home on Taylor's hill Feb 19th. The Clarksville brass band gave a splendid entertainment at Elder's Opera House Feb 22nd. A march has been composed by J. P. Steele and dedicated to Col. Stacker. Our boys had a fine program. Among the many features were singing by Messrs. Steele Boyd, Hampton, Gill, Cole and Graham. The dancing of Cobb and Owens, the gun juggling of J. M. H. Graham brought down the house. The band is preparing for the centennial. R. L. Yancey has been appointed a commissioner by R. E. Hill of Nashville. Miss Viola Dawson, daughter of Mrs. Pincham, died at the home of her parents Feb. 19th. The young ladies gave a grand masquerade ball Feb. 18th and it was one of the grandest affairs ever attempted. Jim Sykes is very sick at the Arlington house. C. D. Keesee has opened a branch shop on first street.

Local Pickups.

Crockett, Tex., Special.

Crockett has 1,300 inhabitants of which 377 are colored. But few own their homes;yet;there are a number of enterprising citizens, among whom are one colored butcher, three barber shops of which is conducted by Mr. Howard, an old resident of Huntsville. L. W. Baker is meeting with success in the medical field. Rev. Wm. Duncans the Baptist pastor is laboring hard to build up the work here.



J. Harry Fiddler has been on the sick list.

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Atwell's Comedians are meeting with much success through Ohio.

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Furber & Davis are with Isham's Oriental America company.

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Puggsley Bros., Tennessee Warblers were last week in Reading, Pa.

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The Tamborian Company will soon take to the road.

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Sheridan & Flynn's Big Sensation company is in Providence, R. I., this week.

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Isham's Octoroons, No. 1, are playing to fine business in Chicago this week.

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Richard & Pringle's Georgia Minstrels were last week in Louisville.

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Miss Ada Armstrong, of New Jersey, has joined the "Tamborian Co,"

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The Nashville Students delighted large audiences in Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 15-20

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Hyer's Colored Comedy company played to excellent business at Frankfort, Ind., last week

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Miss Belle Davis is making quite a hit singing Tom Brown's latest composition: "Coons' Tribulations."

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Jnbe Johnson has closed with Ishams Oriental America and has joined Sam T. Jack's Creoles.

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Black Patti Troubadours at the Grand Opera House, Topeka, Kan., played to a packed house, Feb. 25.

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Tom Brown, comedian, with Isham's Oriental America company, will next season star in a three-act farce-comedy.

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Jack McGrath, comedian and dancer, with the Buffalo Bill aggregation, has been re-engaged for the coming season, which opens April 2.

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Isham's Oriental America company closes its season March 6, and will then sail for Europe where it is booked for a tour.

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James Grundy, of Grundy & Murry, with Sam T. Jack's Creoles, will return to his home in Little Rock, Ark., at the close of the season.

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Isham's Oriental America is now in their second week at Carr's 3rd Avenue theatre, New York City, this week, and are receiving the most flattering praise of metropolitan press.

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Rufus Scott, basso, formerly of South Before the War, who has been very low at his home in Indianapolis, Ind., is fast regaining health.

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The National Ethiopian Amusement association have arranged for a cake walk and jubilee at Madison Square Garden, New York City, March 2.

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Payn Brothers' Creolean Troubadours, under the management of A. Phil Payn, are signing people for the season of 97-98.

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Williams & Walker New York's popular comedians, returned to Koster & Bial's, New York City, last week. The popularity of these two performers always insures them a hearty welcome.

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R. Byron Shelton, barytone, with Isham's Oriental America, will at the close of the season return to his home at Indianapolis, Ind., and open a school of music, teaching voice, piano and organ; also direct choruses.

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The Canadian Jubilee Singers are now in their 23rd week and doing a good business. In Mauch Chunk, Pa., their advance sale was so large that they were compelled to give a special matinee The S. R. O. sign was put out at 7:30 p. m.

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Frank M. Hailstock's Concert Orchestra is composed of the following members: Frank M. Hailstock, leader; Oscar Lindsay, Frank Patrick, Edward Tolliver, Clarence Jones, James Jones, Henderson Smith, Fred Simpson and Shepard Edmonds.

Afro-American League Convention.

Columbus, O., Special.

The convention held by the Afro-American Leagues was well attended. The convention was called to order in the Odd Fellows Temple at 10:30 by J. J Lee, president. Rev. W. T. Maxwell envoked blessings. The convention was composed of ten delegates from each club. The committee on credentials consisted of one member from each club. The committee on resolutions was appointed after the committee on credentials had reported. Rev. Jones inquired what business was before the League and was informed that all questions pertaining to the progress of the race. Then there were several tilts, intended to draw out the sentiment of the different elements. The convention then adjourned for dinner. When the convention re-assembled at 2 o'clock, the president delivered an able address, which was very interesting. The report of the secretary was read and that of the treasurer, which was referred to the auditing committee. The committee on resolutions reported and the first section approved until one was reached endorsing candidates. Here J. M. Reynolds in an able speech, opposed the idea of a political organization endorsing anybody before the convention, as it was unwise; but after a few tilts, the section was adopted by a large majority. New officers for the League were then chosen. W. T. Caldwell received the vote of the convention for constable, and Wilbur King for representative.

FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY.

Ruffin Club Election—Aspirant for Representative—New Station House Keeper—Revival Meetings.

Cincinnati, O., Special.

Hon. Geo. H. Jackson, an eminent attorney, and brilliant scholar is an applicant for Second Assistant U. S. District Attorney for the southern district of Ohio. His candidacy is looked upon with much favor by the existing powers and it is quite possible that he may receive the appointment. Mr. Jackson did great service to the party last fall by his masterly speeches in this state. His arguments were persuasive as a result of his thorough study of the great questious of silver or gold. Many of our people will attend the inauguration of President-elect at Washington next week. Messrs. Eugene Leavelle, Robt. J. Harlan, Wm. H. Fielding, Mrs. Wm. Porter and daughter Jennie, and many others. Miss Fannie Cousins Carlisle was callod to Xenia last week to attend the funeral of a relative. Ervin Alexander has been appointed to janitorship in the City Hall, vice Perry Asbury resigned. The annual election of the Ruffin club occurred last Monday Feb. 22d and resulted in the choice of Bailiff, W. H. Brown as president and a full corps of officer. This club is the oldest political organization with permanent quarters in the city having been organized in 1887. It was named after Judge Ruffin that eminent jurist, of Boston, Mass. We predict success for the administration of Mr. Brown. Hon. Wm. Copeland, Deputy Sheriff, who has been confined to his bed for the past ten days is convalescing. The many friends of Miss Cora Turner will be pleased to learn that she is out again.

L. H. Wilson has announced his candidacy for the legislature. Mr. Wilson has been for years employed at the 3rd National Bank and one of our most respected citizen. Mr. Parham, the present incumbent will in all probability receive federal recognition and will not be a candidate for re-nomination. Benjamin Coleman who was accidentally killed in the areno of the prize ring last Thursday evening, was buried last Monday. A great revival is in progress at Baptist church under the pastorate of Rev. H. D. Proud. Twenty five converts were baptised last Sunday evening. The appointment of Lafayette Coffey was confirmed by the Board of Police Commissioners as station house keeper. This makes fourteen Afro-American members doing police service in our city. Mrs. Jessie B. Slater, was last week re-appointed as clerk in the office of the Probate Judge. Mrs. Slater has been employed in the office for eight years and her excellent penmanship and scholarly attainments rank her as a highly valuable clerk. The appointment is for three years. Mrs M. D Hill of West Court street is visiting in Xenia. Wm. Ford of West Court street entertained the members of the Excelsior Division No. 7, K. of P. last Thursday evening. Isaac William of the second ward has been appointed messenger by the Water Works Commission. Mr. W. has long been prominent in ward politics. Rev. H. H. Harris of the Zion Baptist church is holding revival meetings which are meeting with much success. He is being assisted by the evangelist, P. T. Smith. Hon. G. W. Hayes visited Columbus, O., last week. St. John A. M. E. Zion church is holding revival meeting being conducted by the pastor, Rev. Dr. R. E. Wilson. A great interest is now being manifested. Rev. Dr. Townsend is still carrying on his meeting with unbounding success. The Buchanan-Coleman wedding is announced for March 25th. The wondering boys and girls social club held their meeting and nominated officers for the ensuing term At the conclusion of the meeting refreshments were served. Miss Bertha Ballard of 518 W. Court street is on the sick list this week.

Election of Officers.

Ennis, Tex., Special.

The Union Literary Society elected the following officer at the last meeting: Hon M. Brown, president; Will Moore, vice president; Y. A. Watson, secretary; Miss M. E. Colbert, treasurer; Prof. I. C. McKenzie, critic; Chas. Swinney, chaplain; Ralph Battle, Marshall. Rev. J. W. Rankins of Corsicana, Tex., was in the city last week and preached two able sermons at Waymans Chapel A. M. E. church.

Death in Our Midst.

Danville, Va., Special.

Last week the ex-Lunanburg prisoners were in the city accompanied by Hon. John Mitchell, jr., of Richmond, Va. Mr. Mitchell gave a good talk upon their case. Their story is a pathetic one. There has been much sickness in this city for the last few weeks. Last Tuesday Wm. Chaffin died. He was a faithful member of the Lowel street Baptist church. The Richmond Beneficial and Insurance company is doing a great work in the city under the management of Supt. J. W. Howard and agents, Messrs. J. S. Price, J. R. Wells, T. P. Banks, L. L. Lee, D. L. Banks, J. D. Johnson, W. A. Milliner and R. W. Graves. Rev R. G. Adams, pastor of the First Baptist church is complaining. D. L. Banks addressed the First Baptist Sunday school the 21st.

BETHEL A. M. E. NOTES.

The revival services have closed, and resulted in forty-five professions of faith, and forty-nine accessions.

There will be a converts prayer meeting every Wednesday at 4 p. m.

The Quarterly meeting Sunday the 14th was a grand success in every particular. Twenty-six persons united with the church and $143 00 was the aggregate of collections.

Last Sunday eleven persons united with the church.

The pastor preached a surmon in memory of Bishop Richard Allen in the evening.

On and after the first Sunday in March Bethel congregation will not be bored with the reading of a string of notices at each service. All the announcements will be printed and the ushers will hand a copy to each person as they pass out of the church.

ALLEN CHAPEL NOTES.

Mrs. Emma Parks, Anna Hall and Miss Mary Stewart are on the sick list.

Two persons joined the church last Sunday.

The chorus of forty voices have purchased a fine piano. They will give a social Wednesday evening in the lecture room all are invited.

Christian Endeavor will be lead next Monday evening by Mrs. Cornelia Jones.

The sermon on "Where shall I find a Wife?" that was to have been preached by Rev. Murray last Sundny, was postponed until the first Sunday night in March.

Mr. S. Ford will give a graphophone concert next Wednesday evening March third under the auspicious of the Christian Endeavor Society.

Rev. G. W. Hudson preached quite an interesting sermon last Sunday morning.

SECOND CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

There will be services at 11 a. m. and 7:45 p. m. Preaching by pastor Rev. M. F. Womack. Morning subject: "Christ not found at Bethelhem by the Wise Men." Matt. 2-9.

Evening subject: "The results following a living faith in man." Heb. 10th chap. 38-39.

There were three additions to the church last week—Messrs. Mace, Shores and Hardison.

Prayer meeting every Wednesday night at 8 o'clock.

Services at the Second Christian Mission every Friday night and Sunday school at 2 p. m. Cor. 16th (old 8th) and Yandes St, every Sunday.

Sunday will be "Free Will Offering Day."

The luncheon given by the Willing Worker's club last week at Mrs. Alonzo Smith, Howard St., was quite a success both socially and financially.

Teachers meeting every Tuesday night at 4th Christian Church, and every Friday night at Supt. S. T. Herron's. residence

TRINITY MISSION NOTES.

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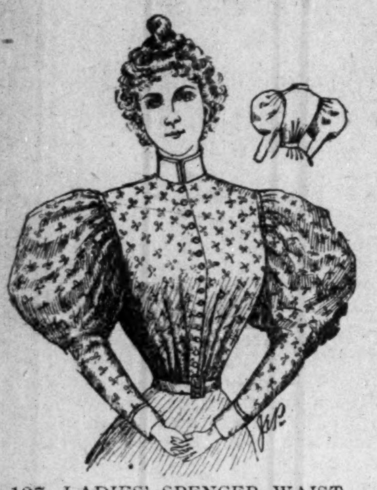

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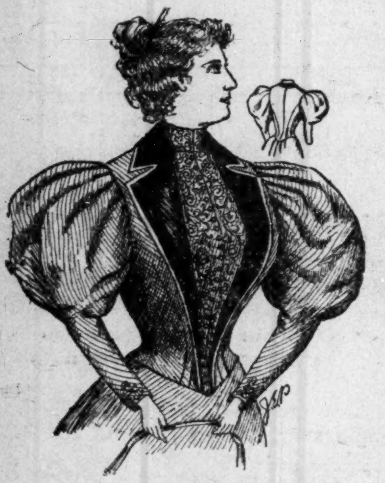

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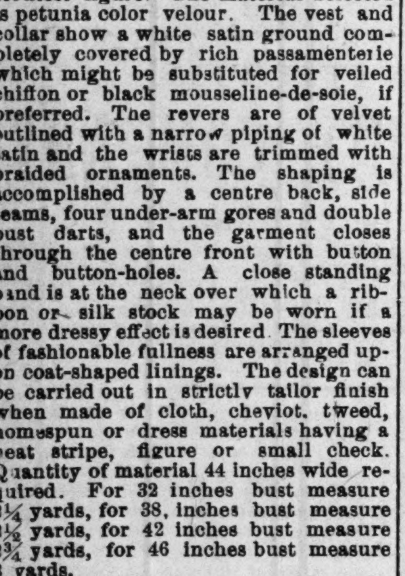
An exceedingly clever model is here shown of a basque particularly designed for ladies inclined to enbonpointment, as two under-arm gores are provided while the long pointed revers and the pretty pointed outline of the lower edge add materially to the length of the stoutest figure. The material selected is petunia color velour. The vest and collar show a white satin ground completely covered by rich passamenterie which might be substituted for veiled chiffon or black mousseline-de-soie, if preferred. The revers are of velvet outlined with a narrow piping of white satin and the wrists are trimmed with braided ornaments. The shaping is accomplished by a centre back, side seams, four under-arm gores and double bust darts, and the garment closes through the centre front with button and button-holes. A close standing band is at the neck over which a ribbon or silk stock may be worn if a more dressy effect is desired. The sleeves of fashionable fullness are arranged upon coat-shaped linings. The design can be carried out in strictly tailor finish when made of cloth, cheviot, tweed, homespun or dress materials having a neat stripe, figure or small check. Quantity of material 44 inches wide required. For 32 inches bust measure 2¼ yards, for 38, inches bust measure 2½ yards, for 42 inches bust measure 2¾ yards, for 46 inches bust measure 3 yards.

Pattern No. 126 is cut in eight sizes, viz., 32, 34, 36, 38, 40, 42, 44, and 46 inches bust measure and retails for twenty-five cents.



125—LADIES' EMPIRE COAT.
32, 34, 36, 38 and 40 inches bust.

This smart garment introduces the popular Empire style, a model by the way, decidedly in evidence the coming season. It is cut in Lincoln green Venetian cloth, lined with a warm tint of currant red silk and trimmed with sable fur. A stylish accompaniment in the fashionable muff of sable, and jaunty hat of green velvet with ostrich plumes. The upper portion of the jacket consists of a deep square yoke fitted by shoulder seams, from the lower edge of which the loose fronts and back depends. The material being used on either side of the fronts and back in single box plaits. The closing is invisible in front, at the neck is a high flaring collar of Medici shape while the fancy collar, prettily pointed falls deeply back and front. The stylish sleeves are gathered at the top and finished at the wrists with sable. The jacket may be made of cloth, silk, velvet, plush or electric seal or can be carried out in cloth and velvet. The model offers rare opportunities for unique combinations. Quantity of material 44 inches wide. For 32 inches bust measure 3¾ yards, for 38 inches bust measure 4 yards, for 40 inches bust measure 4¼ yards.

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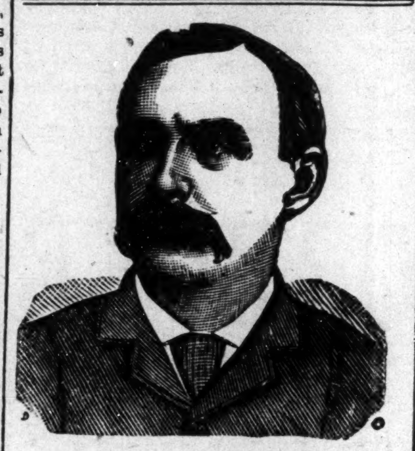

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Sincerely, Albert Ayers,
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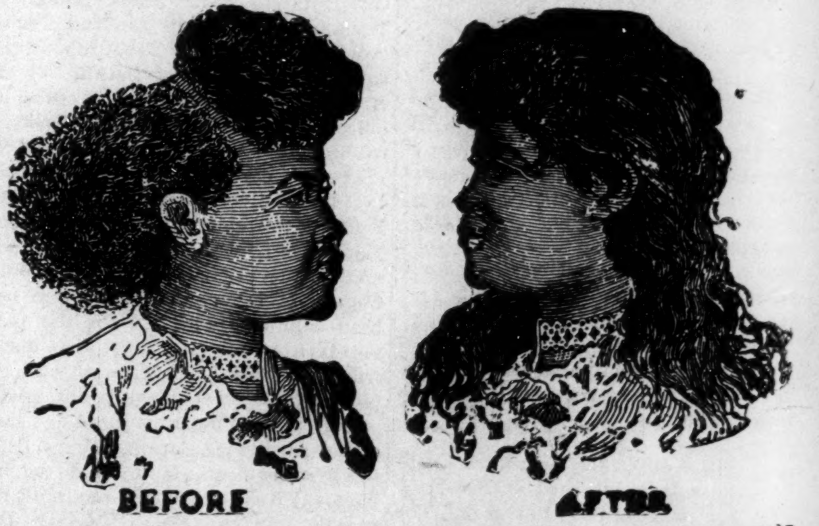

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MEN, AFFAIRS, MEASURES.

Those who would study the activities of the race must of necessity turn their attention to the men and women, to the affairs in which they are engaged and to the measures which they employ. Those who would discover the underlying motive force and who would seek to find ont the quality and direction of progress actually made must consider not only the present but also the past.

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We cannot learn very much of the leading men and women of the race except we come in contact with them. There are only a few of our great number of journals which present the leaders of the race in a true light. Those who write of race leaders usually are either engaged in abusing and misrepresenting them or else are pouring forth vulgar and extravagant flattery. The average contributor is incapable of discussing men in a spirit of absolute candor and in terms of well measured truth, To write up a man in perfectly candid style is to incur his displeasure. You cannot form a correct opinion of a man by reading what his flattering friends or dependants say of him neither can you correctly measure him by the abuse of his foes. The most insincere and unreliable of all writers who discuss men is the average preacher. The average ministerial writer and speaker knows no meaning between extravagant praise and bitter abuse. Uncouth, vulgar and vile fellows are frequently written up from the side of some excellent deed or trait and presented, sound side front, in such a way as to appear like wonders as scholars, gentlemen and benefactors of the race. Such a character was lately held up for public admiration. The individual was truly without a peer in certain noble qualities but there are few thugs more vicious than he in some other respects. He is a man holding an exceedingly high position and who meets its official requirements with ability, yet he is unfit for decent society.

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There are many men who because of some splendid quality are forgiven some vile trait. Those whe write of such men are usually either friends or foes and usually write from one or the other extreme standpoint. The duty of the press is to present these men just as they are in an impartial and intelligent manner. Then the popular verdict concerning such characters may be taken as a true expression of the characters of the people. The press, the pulpit and the platform should deal honestly with the people and men and measures should always be presented in a spirit of absolute candor and left to stand or fall upon their merits. A truckling and subservient press and pulpit make a combination of curses that would impede the actual progress of any people. There should be no uncertain sounds, no misleading utterances, no half lights, no extreme views, but the people should be given the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth. The individual, institution or race that purchases success by a lie pays too great a price; such success means ultimate damnation or else there is no God.

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Many race conventions, many mass meetings, many general movements have had back of them a concealed purpose. The people have so frequently discovered this that all such undertakings are now regarded with suspicion and frquently are met with hostility. The Afro-American will never see the energies of his people collected and behold them earnestly co-operating until the press and pulpit have won a hold upon public confidence for plain speaking and square dealing. When the time comes that the endorsement of pulpit and press mean something, more than mere sentiment, then the time will have come when the Afro-Americans will be a people. The only existing race organizations of a general character are the churches and a few benevolent societies. Each of these make strongest efforts to stifle free speech. Each appear to have vast secrets to hide and each appear to regard as its most bitter enemy the paper or person who dares to utter the simple truth. Measures that depend upon the people for success are formed behind closed doors and are pushed by the use of almost any means save that of a frank disclosure of the end sought.

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The pulpit and press are largely just about what the leading spirits desire them to be. Each spread their sails to the breeze and go with the popular current. They lend their great power to the presumptious and unprincipled with little regard as to what may be the consequences to the race. There are many and noble exceptions and there is gradually being formed a sentiment which will at last gain the ascendency and then pulpit and press will fall in line with the new current and lend their great force to forward movement. Until that time comes those who are sincere in their aims and honest in their convictions must stand true to their guns. Some day the church and the race will call them blessed.

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Much harm is done to the cause of reform by those injudicious advocates who rush into print with indiscriminate attacks upon persons as individuals. There may be no harm in having a wide knowledge of good and evil, of all existing facts, but there must be the same good judgement employed in the use of such knowledge as would be required in handling deadly weapons. It is the province of press, platform and pulpit to teach and impress principles, it is the work of origanizations to administer them. It is only when organizations boldly defy right and public opinion that public opinion should be invoked to meddle. To simply expose evil is to be a mere jackal. To seek to correct evil by proper means temperately and intelligently employed is to do good. J. M. Henderson, M. D.,

82 Vanderbilt Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.

Bishop Grant's Visit.

Houston, Tex., Special.

Bishop A. Grant, D. D, preached Sunday, the 15th, at St. Paul A. M. E. church at 11 a. m., and at night at Wesley Chapel. On Monday night he lectured at Wesley Chapel. Bishop Grant said he had taken in church within four years, 31,000 persons. The Bishop is opposed to the separate law and said he desired to see the separate coach run into the round house. He told the story of his birth, said he was born in a cart, but now a Bishop of the A. M. E. church. B. J. Coverington, M. D., is the latest of the young doctors from Nashville, Tenn. He is young but well read, and bids fair to become a leading doctor of this city Colored doctors do well here as the colored people patronize their own doctors. Some of the readers when asked to renew to The Freeman, say they know nothing about the people afar off, and they wanted to see something about home, which we promise to give them. It seems but few people know how they should respect the real minister of the gospel. They should be highly respected from a christian standpoint. We hope the B. Y. P. U. meeting will improve from its present condition. The president, A. Washington, is no doubt doing all in his power to make the union a success, but so far his able efforts is a failure. Your correspondent here is doing all in his power to put the School History of the Negro Race before the law makers of this state. Having written many letters to representatives concerning the book and the necessity of it becoming a text book for colored pupils. If the book is adopted, I have merited the honor of being state agent. Teachers and students will be compelled to buy. J. S. Dennis, of this city, will canvass the hotel men in the interest of The Freeman, to help the general agent out.

Minister Entertained.

Decatur, Mich., Special.

Frank Weaver is improving. Miss Lula Winborn has been on the sick list. Mrs. Enos Winburn has the la grippe. Miss Sophia Bass has been on the sick list. Aaron Burnett entertained the Rev. Mrs. Isabell, of Kalamazoo, last week. Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Burnett were in Paw Paw, Mich, Sunday. Miss Ellen Burnett is home for a few days.

Left for College.

Center Point, Ark., Special.

Misses Vergie Seats and Hattie Wesson left a few days ago for Little Rock to attend Philander Smith College. Prof. H. H. Sutton is doing good work in our schools, with the assistance of Prof. Joseph Jones. Miss Mary Whitmore has returned from P. S. college Little Rock. Rev. A. T. Stephens took a business trip to Tennessee a few days ago.

Will Build a Church.

Webbers Falls, I. T., Special.

The A. M. E. church, of Indian Ter., will build an edifice worth $7,500. They are progressing nicely with Rev. J. S. Laudmon as pastor, and have one of the largest Sunday schools in the Territory. The attendance is about 100 pupils and the membership of the church seventy-five.

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Excursion Rates to Mardi Gras, New Orleans and Mobile. Agents of the Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton Railway will on February 15th and 16th, and March 1st and 2nd sell excursion tickets to New Orleans and Mobile at rate of one fare for the round trip, plus $2.00. Persons desiring to attend the Mardi Gras, should call on agents of the C. H. & D. Railway.

MODEL SABBATH SCHOOL.

Grand Biblical Debate—New Church Edifice Erected—Church Entertainment—Inaugural Party—Notes.

Berkley, Va., Special.

The Sabbath school of the Mt. Sinai Baptist church is in a flourishing condition, and is being overlooked by its able Superintendent, brother Askew. Your representative listened to them last Sabbath. The church is doing a good work, having recently put up a new building, which is paid for. All will be given a cordial reception who visit the church. On the 22d inst, a grand biblical debate was held at the New Hope Christian church the subject being: "Resolved, That the holy scripture teach that immersion is the only valid Baptism." Affirmative, W. G Tate, A. E Robinson; negative, W. T. Robinson, Miles Simmons. Last Sunday at Trinity A. M. E. church, the Rev. E. H. Bolden, presiding elder of this district, preached in in the morning and evening to good audiences. As the annual conference draws near, there is a sturdy hustle among the members in making preparation for the same. All wish their pastor a pleasant trip and earnestly desire his return. This church has done well, having built en edifice at a cost of nearly six thousand dollars which is almost paid for At St. Paul Baptist church, Rev. J. M. Powell, of the Ninth Street Baptist church, assisted Rev. L. Hockaday and preached an able sermon. All who heard him went away much benefitted.

The First Baptist church gave an entertainment at Odd Fellows Hall on the 22d inst., for the benefit of said church. The person selling the highest number of tickets, over 100, received a nice gold bracelet. The management is under the Green Back club. Mrs. Alice Clarke is its leader. Chas. H. Ward, our prominent confectioner and his good lady, can be found at the old stand on Liberty street, where they will be glad to accommodate their customers. James white has established a new grocery on Walker avenue between Seventh and Eighth streets, and carries a complete stock of goods. Don't fail to give him a call when in need of such articles as are kept by a first class grocery. Mrs. Boston Snead, the wife of our tradesman on the corner of Ninth street and Mahone avenue, has been very ill indeed, but we are glad to to announce that she is much better. John A. Phillips, our prominent barber, has also been quite ill, but is convalescent. The Literary society of St. James A. M. E. church is in full bloom, and holds its sessions every Friday evening. John Winslow of Portsmouth, the old leader of the Republican party, is working up his club and will carry up at least two hundred persons in club uniform to the inauguration.

Passengers for Washington and the East. The C. H. & D. Ry., have arranged for stop-over of 10 days at Washington, D. C., on tickets to Baltimore, Philadelphia, New York and points East of Washington. Persons going East and desiring to stop at the National Capitol should see that there tickets read via, C. H. & D. Ry. Any agent will cheerfully, give needed information, rates and secure space in Pullman Buffet sleeping car now run by this company between Chicago, Indianapolis and Washington and the East. Through dining cars are run, in which may be found, the best hotel service in the country.

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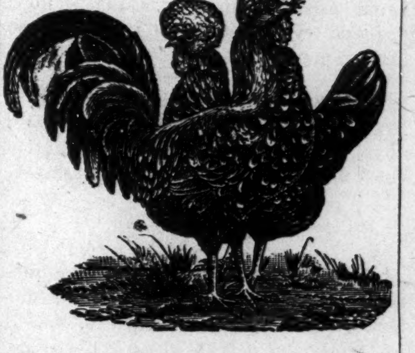

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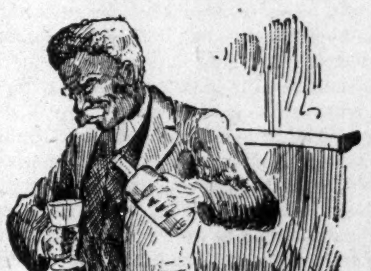

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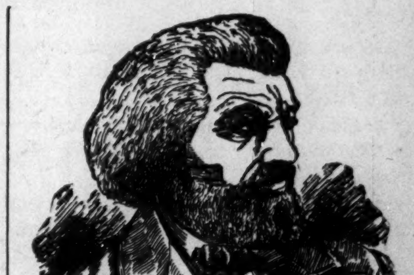

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LOCAL NOTES.

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George Boxley of Hosbrook street, is seriously ill.

Mrs. Harriet Jones, 209 Elm street, is convalescing.

The Freeman can be had at the Bates House Barber Shop.

Mrs. George Woods is quite ill at her home in State avenue.

Quarterly meeting was held at Simpson Chapel last Sunday.

Mrs. J. A. Preston is seriously ill at her residence in Draper street.

Don't fail to ask your grocer for Parrott and Taggart's Domestic Bread.

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Miss Mamie Johnson has charge of the ladies hair-dressing parlors of the Osline Co., 127 Indiana avenue.

Prospect street (formerly Coburn) Baptist church is without a pastor, Rev. Thomas Byrd having concluded to take up work in other fields.

At a mass-meeting held the 22nd a committee was appointed to arrange for another meeting at which time funds will be collected to assist John Brown's daughter.

The mixed school question will be discussed pro and con by Jas. Williams and Silas Pritchett, affirmative, W. H. Hunt and Hon. G. L. Knox negative, at Walter's Literary Lyceum next Thursday evening.

John Wood has opened a pool and billard parlor at the corner of Capitol avenue and New York street. He is one among the few of our young men, who has looked foward to that "rainey day." We wish him success.

If you want something neat and cheap do not forget that T. W. Fleming, at 68 Indiana avenue, is the boy that can fix you up in first class style. Cheapness and neatness is his motto. All kinds of suittings and pants patterns.

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Dr. Harry Furniss one of our most prominent physicians read a paper before the Marion Medical Association of this city Tuesday evening. His subject was "Diagnoses in Cases of Blood Poisoning." The doctor is up to time, being the only colored man who has read before the association.

PERSONAL AND SOCIETY.

James E. Reed of Shelbyville, was in the city last week.

Mrs. Wm. Keelum has returned to her home in Knightstown.

Mrs. Nellie Knox-Nicholson has returned from a visit to the "Windy City."

Mrs. Sadie Hill of Connersville, has returned home, after a fortnight's visit to relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Smith have returned to the city from Chicago for permanent residence.

Mrs. Daisy Jenkins of Chicago, is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hart, in North Captiol avenue.

Prof. W. F. Teister of Crawfordsville, spent a few days in the city last week, the guest of Rev. A. L. Murray in Columbia avenue.

Mrs. Dorsey was given a pleasant birthday surprise at her home in Sixth street Monday evening of last week by her children, it being her sixty-seventh anniversary.

Miss Myrtle Hart, Messrs. Harry Cooper, Lewis Brown, Elwood Knox, and Hon. G. L. Knox will attend the inauguration at Washington, D. C.

An enjoyable little social affair was given by members of the Terpsichorean Club in Twenty-Second Street Hall last Monday evening. Easley's orchestra furnished the music.

The Golden Rod Club will meet next Friday evening at the home of Mrs. F. Hicks, 197 Pleasant street. This club was recently organized, and is progressing nicely. Mrs. Emma Duvall, sec'y.

Charles Johnson, a well-known favorite to theatre-goers and his wife, formerly Miss Luella Babbage, an Indianapolis girl, known in the theatrical world as "Dora Dean," were delightfully entertained Friday evening of last week at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Dixon in West Vermont street, and Saturday evening at the home of Miss Hattie Moore in Muskingum street.

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Who Are They?

To the citizens of Indianapolis: The Freeman would like as a matter of curiosity and to settle a very much mooted question, have you forward to this office within the next ten days the names of three colored citizens who you think are the greatest benefactors, for who assists the race most largely and your reasons for the same.

NOTICE!

Joseph Henderson, agent for the Tacoma Laundry, will call and deliver your work promptly. Good work guarnteed. Leave orders at The Freeman office.

Important Notice.

The executive board of the Woman's Mite Missionary Society of the Indiana Conference Branch of the A. M. E. church, will meet in Bethel A. M. E. church, Indianapolis, Friday March 5th at 2 o'clock p. m. It is requested that all members will be present as there is business of importance. By order of the president.

HATTIE A. FOSSETT, Cor. Sec.

"SWAMP ANGEL" ON THE WING

Take the car next time.

Some of the boys took suddenly sick last Monday. Cause———

"No one was ever known to prosper who boasts of his own superiority or is too much in love with self."

A certain young attorney is gaining quite a reputation in the Widow's Circle for the manner in which he disposes of divorce cases—come early and avoid the rush.

"To brood over the past is to lose courage for the future. Bury deep your mistakes and your sins, if need be, and try to do better. It is never too late to mend."

The half-grown school girl is still in evidence with her flirtations. Would be a wise idea for indulgent parents to look more closely after their daughters,

He lost his shoes—they say.

A famous writer has said: "The burden of suffering seems a tombstone hung about our neck, when in reality it is only the weight which is necessary to keep down the diver while he is hunting for pearls."

A certain young man on pleasure bent, presided as host over a little social function recently given, and through his efforts all "went merry as marriage bells." However, as is usual, through lack of co-operation on the part of a few of the boys, a number of the girls were absent. Bad showing, boys—what's the matter—"dollar money?"

He heard hoarse voices in the hall.

We are glad to note the fact that the Negro is showing his patriotic love for the great and honored dead—for that good and grand old hero—Frederick Douglass—whose fair name will never be effaced from memory's tablet—yea, thou most magnificent one, were it in our power, we would do more to cherish thy memory than this annual meet. But here we pause: "Are the American Negroes celebrating his birth or death?"

This grand old man never had a name nor a birthday save what he gave himself—February 14, 1817—and we consider it a befitting tribute to nationally memorize this occasion. Let the race-loving citizens everywhere join in one grand accord and make the next Douglass celebration dear to the American Negro, and stir the young minds of the Negro school children. Let it be as momentous with us as Washington's birthday is with the American, as St. Patrick's day is with the Irishman—by all means let us observe February 14 as Douglass Day.

Shows Appreciation.

EDITOR FREEMAN:

I desire to return my most sincere thanks for the little write up you so kindly give me through the columns of your most excellent paper Dec. 30, '96, in regards to the vocal selection which was rendered by me at the Second Baptist church. I feel that you did me much good. I also return thanks for copy of paper mailed to my address. If other leaders would take as much interest in the race as the Hon. G. L. Knox has, we would be more progressive.

MRS. M. L. TERRY,
Indianapolis, Ind.

Rev. W. R. Lawton to Graduates.

The colored members of the high school graduating class listened to an interesting sermon at Ninth Presbyterian church, Sunday evening, by Rev. W. R. Lawton, colored, in which he made these pointed utterances:

"Success is the culminating point of physical and mental labor and the reward of human efforts. It is the desire of all men, and in every department of life man is striving for it. The preacher preaches for it, the teacher teaches for it, the lawyer pleads for it, and the physician treats his patients for it. Every merchant strives for it in his business, every mechanic toils for it in his shop, and every tradesman works for it at his bench.

"It matters very little to the world whether the means used are adjusted to the moral principles of the truth or not. If you have reached and attained the end and object of your efforts, you are successful. Never mind how the grocer cheats in his weight, nor the merchant in his measure, if he is getting rich. Never mind how he steals if he gets away with it. But true success is when the end reached, the object attained and the means used by an individual glorify God. Looking outside of self for success is not readily accepted by the proud intellect and haughty spirit of man. There is not enough self-credit in making God's blessings essential to success. But man plans and executes, undertakes and accomplishes, struggles and succeeds, fights and wins, because God blesses him.

"Patriotism shoulders the musket, and bravery stays in the field, and discipline fights the battle, but it is the smiling face of God that gives victory."

FIRST FREE BAPTIST NOTES.

Rev. O. S. J. Granderson pastor of the First Free Baptist church closed a series of meetings Feb. 14th with 29 accessions.

The church and Sunday school are progressing rapidly and the young ministers have organized themselves into a ministerial conference which convenes on Tuesday evening of each week.

The pastor has been suddenly called to Terre Haute to assist Rev. M. A. Jones in his revival. Rev. T. Crittenden will officiate in his stead. Sunday services 11 a.m, Sunday school 2 p. m. and evening service at 7:30 The public is cordially invited.

OBITUARY.

Little May Coleman.

Little Roberta May Coleman departed this life Feb. 19 aged five months and three days.

Mrs. Winn.

Mrs. Winn, an old citizen, was found dead in bed at 111 Indiana avenue last Thursday morning.

Wm. Davenport.

William Davenport, of 217 Alvord street, died at the City Hospital this week, caused from an attempt to drink too much whisky.

Estella Martin.

Miss Estella Martin, who resided in the southeast part of the city, suddenly departed this life last week. She was of a cheerful and sunny disposition, an earnest Sunday school worker and will be sadly missed by her young friends. Miss Martin would have graduated in June.

In Memory of Flora G. Graham.

The following resolutions were read and adopted at the ministerial meeting Feb. 9th: Mr. President and members of this Ministerial Association:

WHEREAS, We have been recently called upon to pay the last tribute of respect to the memory of the daughter of our brother minister, Rev. D. A. Graham.

WHEREAS, It has pleased Almighty God to send the messenger of death into the home of Bro. Graham and has taken from his loving embrace and a father's tender care his dear loving daughter, Miss Flora Gertrude, aged 14 years, 9 months, and 29 days—just entering upon the beautiful life of true womanhood. Her deportment could well be marked excellent for the many good qualities she possessed. She was courageous, meek, kind-hearted and very obedient to her parents, a friend to all, and enemy to none.

She professed faith in Christ three years ago in Chicago, Ill., and was up to the time of her death a true christian girl. A host of friends mourn her loss. She has gone to join the angelic association of her mother and many relatives and friends. God teaches us that we should weep with those who weep, and mourn with those who mourn, therefore as ministers of the gospel and co-laborers in the vineyard of Christ. we are in hearty sympathy with Bro. Graham in the loss he sustains in the death of his daughter. We commend the family to God who doeth all things well. Therefore, be it

Resolved, That we bow our heads in silence to the divine will of God; be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to Rev. D. A. Graham and family, and also to the press.

GEO. R. COLLINS,
P. C. WILLIAMS,
Committee.

Cards of Thanks.

We wish to thank our friends for their kindness during our late bereavement in the loss of Little Helen.

WM. AND LUCIMDA HAYDEN.

We wish to express our deepest and most heartfelt thanks to our many friends who assisted us in the late bereavement, the death of our sister and daughter.

MRS WM. SMITH AND FAMILY.

Go Thou and do Likewise.

Through the efforts of Rev. A. L. Murray, pastor of Allen Chapel, The Freeman is becoming a special favorite with his members. The pulpit can aid the press considerably in this manner, and it is hoped that other churches will follow suit. Copies of The Freeman may be had by applying at the office, 57½ Indiana avenue, from Friday afternoon till six o'clock Saturday of each week.

NINTH PRESBYTERIAN NOTES.

The Rev. Dr. Lawton preached two excellent sermons last Sunday. The doctor will preach to-morrow at 11 a. m. "Christ the Wisdom of God." At 8 p. m., "John Brown the Hero of our Freedom." Public invited.

CORINTHIAN CHURCH NOTES.

Great interest is being manifested in the Sunday school, and it is growing in number. There were over one hundred in attendance last Sabbath, notwithstanding the inclement weather.

There were two additions to the church last Sunday morning, one being for baptism.

There will be baptising at this church Sunday morning, at which time six candidatas will be baptized. Elder Blackshear will officiate.

Sunday the 28th will be rally day at this church, and interesting services will be held, the Ten Virgin's Club reporting at night. Public invited.

JONES' TABERNACLE NOTES.

Revival services closed Feb. 16 with 72 additions to the church.

Class meeting last Thursday night was well attended and collection good. Class No. 7 is in the lead.

The reception in honor of Miss M. E. Taylor Feb. 19th was a pleasant affair. Miss Taylor made many friends while in our city, and many who have opposed women preachers have been convinced that if God sends them, the people are willing and glad to hear them. Miss Taylor is now with Rev. C. Moore, of Twelfth street church, Louisville.

The second quarterly meeting will be held Feb. 28. All are invited. Rev. A. L. Murray, the bright and shining star of Allen Chapel, will preach at 2:30 p. m. Rt. Rev. G. W. Clinton, D. D., will be with us Sunday. Rev. Y. Carr, P. E., will be with us. Services will be held all day.

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